

## Melilla leader appeals for calm

MELILLA (AP) — Muslim community leader Aomar Mohammadi Dudi called on Muslims in this enclave city to remain calm after a Muslim wounded in a fight died Friday. Mohammad Mohane Hamu died in the hospital five days after he was wounded in a fight with a group of Spanish Christians, in the course of several days of violent riots at least four Muslims were seriously wounded. Muslim community leaders met Friday to decide what action to take in the wake of Hamu's death. In a message sent from Nador, Morocco, 13 kilometres from the Spanish border, where he has gone into self-imposed exile, Mr. Dudi said that "any violence will be produced by rowdies and provocateurs paid by the enemies of the Muslim people." Mr. Dudi also announced he would attend the funeral of the victim Saturday.

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## Sudanese premier to visit Egypt

KHARTOUM (R) — Sudanese Prime Minister Sadeq Al Mahdi will pay an official four-day visit to Egypt later this month, diplomats said Friday after weeks of speculation about a possible visit. They said Mr. Mahdi would arrive in Cairo on Feb. 18 for talks with President Hosni Mubarak and other Egyptian leaders. There had been conflicting reports whether Mr. Mahdi, known to be resentful of past Egyptian policies towards Sudan, would actually visit Cairo. Relations between the two countries have been under strain since Sudanese leader Jaafar Numeiri, a staunch Egyptian ally, was overthrown in a coup. Mr. Numeiri, who has lived in Egypt since he was ousted, is wanted in Sudan on trial on corruption charges. Cairo has rejected demands for his extradition.

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## New permit rule for non-Jordanians

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Ministry of Interior has decided that no visitor to Jordan will be issued with a residence permit if the visit was aimed at getting a job in the country, except in very exceptional cases, a well-placed source at the ministry said Friday. The source said that exceptions would be agreed upon in coordination between the Ministry of Labour and the Ministry of Interior. The source said that non-Jordanians wishing to visit Jordan should apply for a permit from the Interior Ministry.

## JBA amends law

AMMAN (J.T.) — No lawyer will be allowed to work as attorney or legal consultant for more than five companies, corporations, affiliate companies or agencies and no more than two out of these five should be public shareholding companies, according to an amendment being introduced by the Jordan Bar Association (JBA) law. The JBA has requested all commercial institutions, industrial corporations, all public shareholding companies and any foreign companies based in Jordan to appoint lawyers for them. It also requested that all private companies with a capital of more than JD 150,000 to appoint an attorney or a legal advisor from Jordanian advocates registered with the JBA.

## China quashes Israeli report

PEKING (R) — China on Friday strongly denied an Israeli press report that it was ready to establish official ties with Israel in exchange for a role in a proposed international conference to bring peace in the Middle East. The Chinese Foreign Ministry, asked about the report in the Israeli newspaper Davar daily, said: "This kind of report is sheer fabrication." The report said Chinese officials told the Israeli foreign ministry director-general, Avraham Tamir, at a secret meeting in Paris last week that China would set up ties with Israel only if it could take part in the conference.

## Shevardnadze meets Yaqub Khan

MOSCOW (AP) — Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze on Friday met with Pakistani Foreign Minister Sahibzada Yaqub Khan during a visit that was expected to focus on the war in Afghanistan. The official news agency TASS reported the talks in a brief statement that provided no details on what was said in the meeting, which also was attended by two Soviet first deputy foreign ministers, Yuli Vorontsov and Anatoly Kovalev. Mr. Kovalev visited Pakistan last month as part of new efforts to find a political settlement to the Afghan civil war.

## Moore quits NASA

WASHINGTON (AP) — Jesse W. Moore, who gave the final approval to the fatal launch of space shuttle Challenger, has resigned from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), the agency announced Thursday. Mr. Moore is the highest official to leave the agency in the wake of the explosion that destroyed the shuttle and killed its crew of seven.

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# Gemayel leaves after three-day official visit

By Salameh B. Ne'matt and agency dispatches

AMMAN — Lebanese President Amin Gemayel left Aqaba at the end of a three-day official visit on Friday amid reports he had sought Jordan's mediation with Syria for an early Lebanese-Syrian summit.

Mr. Gemayel's request that His Majesty King Hussein use his good offices with Syrian President Hafez Al Assad came during a meeting in Aqaba where the two leaders held two rounds of talks on Lebanese political reforms, according to AP. AP said the summit, proposed for next month, would discuss demands by the Syrian government for political reforms demanded by Lebanese leftists to end the nearly 12-year-old civil war. Quoting unidentified Jordanian officials, the agency said Mr. Gemayel made a "complete plan" which, in the president's view, would equally distribute power between Christians and Muslims.

Mr. Gemayel, a Maronite Christian, torpedoed a Damascus-brokered agreement signed in December, 1985, saying that the proposals contained in it gave too many concessions to Muslims who make up 55 per cent of the population. Mr. Assad met with Mr. Gemayel at the fringes of the Islamic summit conference in Kuwait last month. It was the first meeting between the two leaders since the agreement was scuttled. Jordanian officials were not immediately available for comment on whether the Lebanese president had offered a specific formula for Lebanese reconciliation to be presented to Syria and factions opposed to his regime in Lebanon. Press reports reaching here said Mr. Gemayel had been urging a more active Jordanian role in mediation efforts because of the Kingdom's good relations with Syria and its firm non-partisanship vis-a-vis the various Lebanese factions.

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## 27 SLA men killed in attack

BEIRUT (Agencies) — Twenty-seven members of the Israeli-backed South Lebanon Army (SLA) were reported killed in a clash in Israel's self-styled "security zone" between a joint force of Israeli soldiers and SLA men and a group of resistance men. A statement issued here by "Islamic Resistance," believed to be made up of Lebanese and Palestinian resistance fighters, said its members briefly occupied an SLA post at Ali Al Taher, north of Beaufort Castle in the "security zone," and 20 SLA men were killed in the ensuing battle.

According to the Israeli army's version of the incident, eight Lebanese guerrillas and one SLA militiaman were killed in the clashes, which took place just before dawn near Beaufort Castle. An Israeli spokesman said several dozen fighters of the Iranian-backed Hizbollah group attacked an SLA position near the village of Kafr Tibnit, nine kilometres from the Lebanese-Israeli border, during the night. The attack was repulsed, said the spokesman, after a firefight with an Israeli army patrol. Three Israeli soldiers were wounded in the attack, he said. At first light, Israeli troops searched the area and found the bodies of five fighters, said the Israeli announcement. Next to them were rocket-propelled grenades, submachine-guns, explosives, bullet-proof jackets, webbed belts and ammunition, it said.

SLA militiamen joined in the sweep and encountered an additional team of fighters, killing three of them, said the command. The fighters were from among the group which was repulsed in the nighttime attack, said the announcement. A security source in the area, who asked not to be identified further, told AP heavy fire exchanges were reported from Israeli army positions near the village of Tibnit.

BAHRAIN (Agencies) — Cities on both sides in the Iran-Iraq war came under renewed attack on Friday and Tehran said it would pursue its southern ground offensive near the Iraqi city of Basra. Iran said it fired a missile into Khaneqin, 150 kilometres north-east of Baghdad, and reported that Iraqi warplanes carried out more air raids on Tabriz, an industrial city in northwest Iran. A Baghdad military spokesman said Iraqi planes bombed targets in Tabriz and the holy city of Qom in an "immediate response" to an Iranian missile attack on Baghdad Thursday night. Iranian President Ali Khamenei claimed 20,000 Iraqi troops had been killed and 80,000 wounded since Iranian forces launched an offensive near Basra four weeks ago. He told a mass Friday prayer meeting in Tehran that the offensive was not yet over, adding: "When it is, it will have delivered much heavier blows."

Neither side has given detailed accounts of the battles since Baghdad said four days ago its forces had scored a major victory in driving the Iranians from the shores of Fish Lake, 10 kilometres east of Basra. Military analysts said they thought fierce but indecisive fighting was continuing in the area but announcements were unlikely unless there was a major breakthrough. The Iraqi military spokesman said the Iranian missile attack, the ninth on the Iraqi capital this year, killed civilians, destroyed property and would be avenged. "For every drop of Iraqi blood, the Iranians have to shed floods of their blood," he said, while the Defence Ministry newspaper Al Qadisiya said: "All Iranian towns and all that serves its war will be a target for our strikes."

The war, now well into its seventh year, has been taking an increasing toll of civilian lives since Tehran launched its cross-border offensive on Jan. 9. Tehran says more than 3,000 civilians have been killed in Iraqi raids on more than 20 of its towns and cities, some of which have been attacked almost every day. Baghdad says more than 250 civilians have died in Iranian air

and artillery attacks. Detailed casualty figures from the missile strikes on Baghdad have not been issued. Al Qadisiya published statistics on Iranian losses based on Iraqi war communiques from a communique one issued on September 22, 1980, when Iraqi forces crossed the Iranian border to communique 2,550 issued on Jan. 31 this year. It said more than one million Iranian troops had been killed — 904,746 individuals plus tens of thousands recorded only by their units. It said Iran had lost 893 warplanes and 346 helicopter gunships, while 4,369 Iranian tanks, 9,246 military vehicles and 1,368 personnel carriers had been destroyed. No figures were given for Iraqi losses. Iran's Islamic Republic News Agency (IRNA) said Friday that "economic and military centres" in Umm Qasr, the main Iraqi naval base 30 kilometres south of Basra, was shelled for 24 hours starting Thursday "in retaliation for continued Iraqi attacks on

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The Islamic resistance communique said the Israelis launched a reconnaissance and retaliation raid early in the morning on six villages, wounding four Palestinian civilians. The communique said one of "Islamic Resistance" members was killed and four others were wounded. Also on Friday, Israeli warplanes staged more mock raids over South Lebanon. Lebanese radio stations said Israeli warplanes flew mock raids over the southern part of Sidon less than 24 hours after dropping flares in the area, while Israeli gunships cruised off the coast.

On the Basra front, IRNA quoted Tehran's war information headquarters as saying that Iranian forces, mainly Revolutionary Guards corps, fanatical supporters of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, pounded oil depots, dock facilities and the headquarters of Iraq's Seventh Marine Division, causing heavy damage and casualties. On the Basra front, IRNA quoted Tehran's war information headquarters as saying that Iranian forces, mainly Revolutionary Guards, were poised for "further advances" east of the embattled city that is being pounded by Iranian artillery. Baghdad communiques have said the Iraqis now hold only around 5 square miles of marshland that they have turned into a killing zone for artillery, rocket and gunship fire. Iran claims it still holds around 50 square miles of Iraqi territory. The Defence Ministry newspaper Al Qadisiya, the only daily with war correspondents at the warfront, carried no field report on battles east of Basra on Wednesday.

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# Reagan agrees to submit to more questioning by Iran-contra panel

WASHINGTON (R) — President Reagan has agreed to hand over relevant personal notes to an internal panel investigating the Iran-contra affair and will also submit to further questioning by the panel, the White House has said.

White House spokesman Martin Fitzwater said Mr. Reagan would hold a second meeting with the Tower Commission on Feb. 11 to address issues of interest to them.

"In addition, excerpts from his personal notes will be made available to the board by the time of the meeting," Mr. Fitzwater said.

Mr. Reagan first met with the commission, which is headed by former Texas Senator John Tower, for an hour and 16 minutes on Jan. 26.

The White House later said he had referred to personal notes described by a spokesman as "personal, diary-like impressions" of his daily activities to refresh his memory and offered to turn over relevant excerpts to investigative bodies probing the secret sale of arms to Iran and diversion of profits to U.S.-backed Nicaraguan contra rebels.

The move headed off a potential confrontation similar to that which engulfed former President Richard Nixon following disclosure of the existence of his secret Watergate tapes.

The Tower Commission, which was appointed by Mr. Reagan on No. 26 to examine the role of the National Security Council (NSC) staff in the Iran-contra affair, will be the first investigative group to see Mr. Reagan's notes.

Asked who would determine which excerpts were relevant, Mr. Fitzwater replied, "it will be determined collectively. It will be a give-and-take process."

The presidential spokesman said he expected members of the commission and its staff to request Mr. Reagan's notes by date, and explained that discussions would then ensue between the commission and top White House aides to determine which portions of it were relevant.

The Tower Commission is due to report its findings on Feb. 19, and the White House has promised to make that report public as soon as possible.

Mr. Reagan has also promised to cooperate with two separate

far, invoking their constitutional right against possible self-incrimination.

Shamir opposed to U.S. questioning Israelis

Meanwhile Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir indicated Thursday he was opposed to Israeli officials being questioned directly by U.S. investigators about sales of arms to Iran.

Speaking to reporters in the Israeli-occupied West Bank town of Jericho, the Israeli leader said his government was ready to help the Reagan administration investigate the affair.

"We are ready to cooperate with our American friends in clarifying all that happened here, and we will find the appropriate ways," said Shamir.

But when asked if Israelis involved in arms sales to Iran would be allowed to undergo direct questioning by U.S. investigators, Shamir demurred. "I don't think it's necessary," he said.

Shamir has said previously that Israel would be willing to hand over written reports about Israel's role, and Israeli officials stressed cooperation should be government-to-government.

The premier's comments followed a meeting in Washington, D.C., Wednesday between Israeli Ambassador Meir Rosenne and Sen. Tower.

An Israeli official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the manner of cooperation was still under discussion and would have to be worked out "through the proper channels."

The official said the Rosenne-Tower discussion "was a meeting on an official level. You might say this is the first open contact between the two countries."

Questioned on an Israel television panel show Wednesday night, Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin denied allegations in a 64-page U.S. Senate report that he had authorized the sale of Israeli arms to the contra rebels in Nicaragua at the request of U.S. officials.

"I am certain arms did not arrive directly, and I believe that they did not arrive... in past years indirectly," said Rabin, who criticized the Senate report as "highly inaccurate."

Rabin claimed Syria and Ira-

nian dissidents were behind the lack that led to the controversial deal becoming public knowledge.

"The leak about these deals came from Iran as a result of an internal dispute, evidently in the wake of a temporary setback in the health of the Ayatollah (Ruhollah) Khomeini which sharpened the disagreements," Rabin said.

"The report was apparently conveyed to a Syria source, and the Syrians were interested in the subject's being uncovered."

The report was published last November by the pro-Syrian weekly magazine Al Shura, which cited Iranian sources for its story.

On Wednesday, a parliament subcommittee decided to broaden a probe of Israeli involvement in arms shipments and question private arms merchants who arranged some of the deals.

Panel members said Yaakov Nimrodi, a former Mossad intelligence chief in Iran, and Al Schwimmer, who holds both Israeli and U.S. citizenship, would be called to testify, probably early next week.

The six-member subcommittee took testimony this week from Amiram Nir, the prime minister's adviser and David Kimche, an ex-Foreign Ministry official. The two coordinated the arms deals with the U.S. government.

The chairman of the U.S. Senate Intelligence Committee says the Iran-contra arms transactions show the need to restore trust between the U.S. Congress and American intelligence agencies.

Senator David Boren predicted there will be some proposals to tighten procedures for informing Congress of undercover activities. He said that while he would endorse some changes in that respect, "I think the most important thing is attitude. You have to rebuild trust."

The opposition Democrat said he expected relations between Congress and intelligence community to improve following the resignation of William Casey as CIA director. "Better chemistry" exists between Congress and Robert Gates, the man nominated by President Ronald Reagan to succeed Casey, said Sen. Boren.

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## Freed U.S. journalist arrives in Zurich

ZURICH (R) — An American journalist expelled from Iran after being detained for several days on spying charges arrived in Zurich Friday, airport officials said.

Gerald Seib, Cairo-based correspondent of the Wall Street Journal, was met by his wife and an official from the U.S. embassy in Bern. He was driven from the airport in an embassy car and taken to a private room in the airport.

Seib, who was arrested on Saturday on charges of spying for Israel, appeared in good health and waved to journalists.

Seib was one of about 90 foreign reporters invited to Iran for a government-guided tour of the southern Iran-Iraq war front, where Iranian forces launched an offensive last month.

Prime Minister Mir-Hossein Mousavi said he was found "collecting abnormal information" on the front. The Ministry of Information Thursday ordered his expulsion and banned him from returning to Iran.

Washington denied Seib was a spy.

Meanwhile it was announced in Ottawa, Canada, that a Canadian citizen held prisoner by Iranian authorities for two months on charges of possessing secret documents will soon be released.

An External Affairs Department spokesman said the Danish ambassador in Iran, who represents Canadian interests, was told Wednesday by Iranian Foreign Ministry officials of the decision to release Philip Eng, 29, an engineer from St. Catharines, Ontario.

There was no immediate word on exactly when Eng would be released but Iranian authorities indicated he would be turned over to the custody of the Danish ambassador, the spokesman said.

Iranian authorities alleged that Eng took pictures of top-secret military installations while working for a Canadian firm servicing Iranian oil wells.

The charge was denied by Canadian officials.

The announcement of his release came a day after Iran said American reporter Gerald Seib was being expelled after his detention since Saturday on spy charges.

Canada severed diplomatic ties with Iran in 1980 after helping to spirit six U.S. diplomats out of the country following the November 1979 seizure of the U.S. embassy in Tehran.

In a separate development a British businessman held in Tehran for 14 months appeared on Iranian television Thursday and confessed to spying, the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) said.

BBC Television showed pictures of Roger Cooper, 51, recorded from an Iranian television broadcast Thursday morning.

## U.S., rebuffed by allies, scraps plans for meeting on terrorism

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States, rebuffed by France and two other close allies, was forced Thursday to abandon plans for a seven-nation meeting in Rome on countering the rising tide of terrorism.

State Department officials said military steps were not on the agenda, but that reluctant allies said they did not wish to participate in a conference held in the shadows of a U.S. military buildup in the eastern Mediterranean.

With eight Americans held hostage in Lebanon, there was apprehension that the United States might strike out in retaliation, as it did last April against Libya.

France, which initiated the boycott, and Britain and West Germany, which also declined invitations to attend, all have hostages in Lebanon.

The session was to have opened Friday and focused on the recent spate of abductions.

Among those detained, although the United States does not list him as a hostage, is Anglican Church emissary Terry Waite, who was working for the release of Americans Terry Anderson and Thomas Sutherland.

"The question of military action was not on the agenda," spokesman Charles Redman said in announcing the abrupt cancellation.

He said Italy had agreed to a U.S. request to host the meeting of the seven largest industrialized democracies but that "some of the summit group did not feel it would be propitious at this time."

Mr. Redman said the United States had hoped for an exchange of information on the "recent spate of hostage-taking."

The spokesman refused to say which countries objected to the Rome meeting or to give their reasons.

But another U.S. official, who demanded anonymity, said France, with support from Britain and West Germany, was reluctant to be drawn into a discussion of U.S. military options to combat terrorism in Lebanon.

While military action was not on the agenda, the official said, "presumably, any discussion of terrorism would touch on that."

L. Paul Bremer, who heads the State Department's counter-terrorism office, was to lead the U.S. delegation. The meeting was to be the first major test of allied resolve since the seven industrialized democracies agreed, at U.S. behest last May at the Tokyo Economic Summit, to take a firm and coordinated stance against terrorism.

In a six-point declaration pushed by the administration of President Ronald Reagan, the allies agreed to act in concert against any nation that sponsored terrorism. Among the measures approved were banning the export of weapons to such countries and streamlining procedures to extradite suspects.

U.S. law enforcement agencies are eager to have West Germany approve the transfer here of Mohammad Ali Hamadei, 22, a Lebanese wanted in the United States for questioning in the hijacking of a Trans World Airlines jetliner in June 1985.

The United States asked Italy to convene the session because this year's economic summit meeting will be held in Venice in June. Other countries that were due to attend the meeting Friday were Canada and Japan.

The U.S. official said the Reagan administration had planned to "compare notes" with the other governments on combating terrorism and to seek another expression of unity.

Even so, the official said, "France did not want to get involved" and Britain and West Germany supported the French position.

In Paris, a government spokesman confirmed the three nations, led by France, did not wish to attend the meeting. "The French government holds to the bilateral character of contacts and exchanges of information," Denis Baudouin, a spokesman for Premier Jacques Chirac, said at a press briefing.

"It is dangerous that 'the seven' appear like gendarmes of the world, especially in the current context," he said. "In the case of the hostages, one must act with caution."

The spokesman also expressed concern about U.S. navy movements in the Mediterranean.

A flotilla of more than two dozen U.S. warships and support vessels is stationed off Lebanon where a total of 26 foreigners are missing and believed held by extremists. The White House has sought to dampen speculation that a U.S. military strike was in the offing.

## 3 indicted in 1985 Rome airport attack

ROME (Agencies) — Italian authorities have indicted three Arabs for the 1985 attack in which 16 people were killed and more than 75 were wounded at Leonardo Da Vinci airport here, judicial sources have said.

Indictments were filed against Abu Nidal, the shadowy leader of the Palestinian group accused of being behind the Dec. 27, 1985, attack; Rashid Al Hamadei, who is believed to have coordinated the strike; and Mahmoud Ibrahim Khaled, the only survivor from that four-man group, the sources said.

Khaled, leader of the squad that fired machine guns and

hurled hand grenades at the ticket counters of the Israeli Airline El Al and America's TWA, had been identified previously as Mohammad Sarham.

Khaled told investigators that the Abu Nidal group was also responsible for the almost simultaneous attack that killed four people at the Vienna airport.

The sources said he admitted being well-acquainted with Itab Hassan, who was arrested in the 1985 bombing of British Airways office in Rome.

Italian prosecutors issued an international arrest warrant for Abu Nidal in January 1986 on charges of mass murder in the

Rome airport attack. Both Abu Nidal, whose real name is Sabri Al Banna, and Hamadei are fugitives.

The indictments were issued by veteran anti-terrorism prosecutor Domenico Sica.

The sources claimed that Khaled gave investigators the location of an apartment in Damascus, Syria, from which the Abu Nidal group operates. He said the group, which split from Yasser Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organisation in the mid-1970s, is funded through extortion from Arab governments, as well as legal enterprises.

A Beirut court Thursday threatened to put to death the first Italian it laid hands on unless there was a change in what it called Rome's aggressive policies towards the Middle East and the Palestinian people.

The Italian News Agency ANSA said its Beirut office had received the threat in a telephone call from a man speaking on behalf of a group calling itself "God's faithful."

The same group last month accused Italian prison authorities of mistreating two Middle Eastern citizens, jailed for bringing explosives into the country in May 1984, and threatened violence against Italian targets if the prisoners were not released.

## Shamir tells Palestinians to cooperate with Israel

JERICHO, West Bank (R) — Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has told Palestinians in territories occupied by Israel since 1967 that it was in their interest to cooperate with the occupying power.

"Wise and intelligent men know the best way to work for the good of the population requires proper and friendly relations with the government of Israel and the people of Israel," the right-wing Israeli leader said after meeting Jericho Mayor Jamil Sabri Khalaf.

Earlier, gazing across the bridge over the Jordan River which links Jordan with the occupied West Bank, Shamir said Israel should be vigilant about the return of Palestinian commando leaders to Amman.

The visit to Jericho was only his second outing to a West Bank town since taking power last October.

Jericho has traditionally been one of the most docile areas under Israeli control. Acts of resistance are rare.

Shamir was asked about re-

ports that Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat's deputy, Khalil Al Wazir (Abu Jihad), had been invited a return to Jordan, eight months after being expelled in a clampdown on the PLO.

He said it was not clear whether the commando leader's return would be permanent but added: "We must be vigilant."

Shamir said his tour was aimed at sounding out local views before he leaves for key talks in Washington later this month.

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15:35 Programme Review  
15:55 Cartoons and children programme  
16:50 Scientific programme (Arabic)  
17:25 The Prisoner of Zenda  
18:00 Teaching French  
18:25 Arabic series  
19:25 Family programme  
19:50 Programme review  
20:00 News in Arabic  
20:30 Message from Iraq  
20:40 Arabic series  
21:25 Local Report  
22:10 Tomorrow's programmes  
22:15 Arabic play  
23:00 News summary in Arabic  
23:10 Play continued

PROGRAMME TWO  
18:00 Entire libe  
18:30 L'Antologie Française  
19:00 News in French  
19:15 La Vallée des Peupliers  
19:30 News in Hebrew  
19:45 Science World  
20:00 News in Arabic  
20:30 Music Box  
21:30 News in English  
22:00 News in English  
22:30 Feature film: "Fire Creek"

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08:50 25 Years of Rock  
11:00 News Summary  
12:05 Pay any Price  
12:30 Pop Session  
13:00 News Summary  
13:45 Pop Session cont.  
14:00 News Bulletin  
14:15 Jordan Weekly  
15:00 Concert Hour  
16:00 News Summary  
17:00 Special Feature  
17:30 Music  
18:00 Top Twenty  
19:00 Newsdesk  
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20:00 Rock World  
20:30 My Profile  
21:00 In Concert  
22:00 Discovering Music  
22:30 Easy Listening

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American Viewpoints 10:50 News  
English News & Features 10:50 News  
10:10 Weekend 20:00 News 20:10  
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Features 21:00 News 21:10 American  
Viewpoints 21:30 Press Conference  
USA 22:00 News & Editorial 22:15  
Music USA Jazz 23:00 News 23:10  
Weekend

### WHAT'S GOING ON

TODAY'S EVENTS

EXHIBITIONS

\* An exhibition of photos from Pompi-  
du Centre in Paris at the French  
Cultural Centre (until Feb. 17).

\* An art exhibition by Spanish artist  
Pablo Picasso at the Spanish Cultural  
Centre (until Feb. 12).

\* An exhibition of photographs depicting  
sports activities in the Soviet Union  
at the Sports Cultural Centre.

WESTERN FOLK ART

\* The American Centre is presenting a  
Western Folk art exhibition at the  
Royal Cultural Centre. The folk art  
exhibition runs through Feb. 10.

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American Centre Library .. 64371

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British Council .. 6361478

French Cultural Centre .. 637009

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Soviet Cultural Centre .. 644203

Turkish Cultural Centre .. 639777

Haya Arts Centre .. 661595

Husseini Youth City .. 661816

Y.W.C.A. .. 641793

Amman Municipal Library .. 637111

Univ. of Jordan Library .. 843555

MUSEUMS

Folklore Museum: Jewelry and  
costumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics  
from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th  
centuries). The Roman Theatre, Am-  
man. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Year-round. Tel. 651760.

Jordan Archaeological Museum: Has  
an excellent collection of the anti-  
quities of Jordan. Jabal Al Qal'a  
(Clotel Hill). Opening hours: 9.00  
a.m.-5.00 p.m. (Fridays and official  
holidays 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.).  
Closed Tuesdays.

Jordan National Gallery: Contains a  
collection of paintings, ceramics, and  
sculptures by contemporary Islamic  
artists from most of the Muslim coun-  
tries and a collection of paintings by  
19th Century orientalist artists. Munt-

zab, Jabal Lweibdeh. Opening hours:  
10.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. and 3.00 p.m. -  
6.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel.:  
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the Amman Hotel, 7.30 p.m.

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every Wednesday at the Holiday Inn,  
1.30 p.m.

Rotary Club. Meetings every Tuesday  
at the International Hotel, 2.00  
p.m.

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man, Eighth Circle. Tel. 816534,  
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CHURCHES

St. Joseph Church (Roman Catholic)  
Jabal Amman, Tel. 634590.

Church of the Annunciation (Roman  
Catholic) Jabal Lweibdeh, Tel.  
637440.

De la Salle Church (Roman Catholic)  
Jabal Hussein, Tel. 661757.

Terrassano Church (Roman Catholic),  
Jabal Lweibdeh, mass in Italian lan-  
guage, meet every Sunday at 5.30  
p.m. Tel: 622366

Church of the Annunciation (Greek  
Orthodox) Abdali, Tel. 623541.

Anglican Church (Church of the Re-  
deemer) Jabal Amman, Tel. 678006.

Armenian Catholic Church Ashrafieh,  
Tel. 771331.

Armenian Orthodox Church Ashra-  
fieh, Tel. 773261.

St. Federation Church (Syrian Ortho-  
dox) Ashrafieh, Tel. 771751.

Amman International Church (Inter-  
denominational): meets at Southern  
Baptist School in Shmeisani, Tel.  
811295.

Evangelical Lutheran Church Jabal  
Amman, 6th Circle, (Rev. N. Smir),  
Tel. 811295.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Khatib leaves for Oman

AMMAN (Petra) — Minister of Information, Culture, Tourism and Antiquities Mohammad Al Khatib on Friday left for Oman heading a Jordanian information delegation on a three-day official visit at the invitation of Omani Information Minister Abdul Aziz Al Rawwas. Mr. Khatib said that during the visit he will hold talks with Mr. Rawwas and Omani officials on means of bolstering information cooperation between the two countries. The minister will also sign a protocol on the scopes of cooperation in the various information activities between the two countries. The delegation comprises the Jordan Radio and Television Corporation (JRTC) director General Nasouh Al Majali, Department of Culture and Arts Director General Haider Mahmoud and the director of the JRTC engineering department.

## Four die in week's road accidents

AMMAN (Petra) — Four persons were killed and 73 others were injured in 200 road accidents which occurred in Jordan over the past week, according to a Public Security Department (PSD) bulletin issued on Thursday. The bulletin said that the accidents registered a drop of 24.5 per cent over those which occurred in the previous week and that the deaths dropped by 50 per cent and the injured by 37.6 per cent.

## Hindawi forms education committee

AMMAN (Petra) — Minister of Education Thouqan Al Hindawi has decided to form an education committee at the ministry under his chairmanship. Mr. Hindawi named the ministry's undersecretary Ahmad Basbatah as vice-chairman and each of the directors general of education at the ministry and the educational advisors for the West Bank affairs and educational, administrative and legal advisors and directors of education departments in Madaba, Bani Kanana, Jerash and Al Qasr and directors of Greater Amman education department as members.

## Tourism team to attend Paris fair

AMMAN (Petra) — Tourism Authority Director General Nasri Atallah leaves for Paris today at the head of a Jordanian tourist delegation to take part in an international tourist exhibition scheduled to open on Monday. The Tourism Authority and the Royal Jordanian airline will have a pavilion at the week-long exhibition. The pavilion will display models of Jordanian traditional crafts and local tourist products. The Royal Jordanian folklore troupe will also present performances during the exhibition. The Jordanian delegation will meet with tourist promoters to acquaint them with the potentials of Jordanian tourism with the aim of marketing Jordan on world markets.

## Commission continues restoration work on tombs of Prophet's companions

AMMAN (Petra) — A Royal commission for restoring and renovating the tombs of companions of the Prophet Mohammad who were buried in Jordan has already constructed four monuments in the course of work at the tombs of four of these companions, according to Dr. Abdullah Nsour, director of Islamic antiquities and archaeological sites at the Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs.

Dr. Nsour, who is also the commission's rapporteur, said that the four monuments were at the Ma'an tomb of Farwah Al Jidami, the first Muslim martyr to be buried in Jordan, Amr Ibn Kaab in Tafleh, Al Hareth Ibn Amir Al Azadi in Mu'ta, near Karak, and another also at Mu'ta, to commemorate the martyrs of Mu'ta battle. According to Dr. Nsour, the four monuments cost JD 50,000.

Dr. Nsour said that the commission was formed following a royal message to the prime minister in 1984, instructing him to set up a body which would take charge of restoring and renovating the tombs of the Prophet's companions who were buried in the Kingdom. The King's message said that a special fund should be set up to raise financial contributions for the project which should aim at promoting the tombs and reconstructing them with the best possible designs and engineering skills.

According to Dr. Nsour, the commission is going ahead with restoring tombs located in the Jordan Valley and he added that the local Sigma firm has offered to provide designs for the project in the Jordan Valley free of charge. The Ministry of Awqaf has already taken delivery of the designs and is now involved in

carrying out a study on the work before a tender is announced for the commencement of the actual restoration work, Dr. Nsour said.

Several meetings have been held in preparation for the work in the Jordan Valley and the talks were attended by Minister of Awqaf Abdul Aziz Al Khayyat, Jordan Valley Authority (JVA) President Munther Haddadin and several other officials.

According to Dr. Nsour, the minister has instructed his officials to cooperate with the JVA in finding new homes for inhabitants now dwelling in areas adjacent to the tombs which are to be restored. He said proper compensation would be given to those who want to leave; and the others will be housed in a housing estate to be set up on a piece of land donated by the Ministry of Awqaf.

## Civil Defence Department reports more deaths from house fires during 1986

AMMAN (Petra) — The Civil Defence Department (CDD) last year handled 10,441 cases involving accidents and fires which caused the death of 374 persons and the injury of 6,863 others, according to Colonel Dhib Al Ma'ani, the director of the CDD's training and operations department.

He said in a statement to the Jordan News Agency, Petra, that CDD teams last year dealt with 6,204 first aid cases, 3,353 fires and 884 rescue operations.

In comparison, a total of 7,435 cases were handled by CDD teams in 1985 resulting in the death of 425 persons and the injury of 5,183 others.

Col. Ma'ani said that the number of deaths in 1986 rose over that of the previous year mainly due to a rise in the number of fire in homes resulting from mishandling of gas bottles and heaters and children tampering with electric

wires or other negligence.

Col. Ma'ani said that last year the CDD was better equipped than the previous year with more ambulances and means of transporting injured people to hospitals or medical centres.

## Training courses

Referring to the CDD's other activities, Col. Ma'ani said that last year the department organised 280 training courses in Amman on civil defence operations in which 4,733 persons took part. These courses, he said, were organised at schools, banks, factories, cinemas and government agencies and departments.

In other areas of the Kingdom, Col. Ma'ani said there were 107 training courses in which 3,084 persons took part.

In addition, CDD centres were opened to the public, presenting documentary films to explain

safety measures and organising lectures and seminars now and then to promote measures for better public safety, Col. Ma'ani said. He added that nearly 15,000 recruits in the People's Army who were trained in the use of light arms have also been fully trained in civil defence operations.

A total of 829 CDD personnel took part in 71 training courses organised by the Armed Forces and 683 others took part in CDD training courses to update and improve their skills, Col. Ma'ani pointed out. Plans are underway, he said, for dispatching CDD personnel to Arab and other friendly countries to acquire more skill and efficiency, Col. Ma'ani continued. In addition, he said, the CDD regularly takes part in international seminars and conferences pertaining to the protection of civilians and property.

## Swareddehab visits King Abdullah Mosque

AMMAN (Petra) — Field Marshal Abdul Rahman Swareddehab, former head of the military council in Sudan, on Friday visited King Abdullah the Martyr Mosque in Amman where he met with Minister of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al Khayyat and his under secretary, Dr. Abdul Salam Al Abbadi. Field Marshal Swareddehab was briefed on the mosque's project and its cultural and religious importance. He also toured the mosque's various sections and inspected its cultural facilities.

## Tour of military workshops

On Thursday, His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan accompanied Field Marshal Swareddehab on a visit to the Al Hussein military workshops.

They were briefed by the workshops director and commander on the various duties being carried out there and the different

equipment that has been installed for work.

Earlier, Field Marshal Swareddehab attended a friendly polo game which was held at the Jordanian Polo Club. Prince Hassan led the Jordanian team in the match.

Attending the match were the ambassadors of Sudan and Pakistan and a number of senior officials and army officers.



Field Marshal Abdul Rahman Swareddehab, former head of the military council in Sudan, on Friday meets with Minister of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al Khayyat at King Abdullah the Martyr Mosque.

## PSD employs concept of comprehensive security and expands its social services

AMMAN (Petra) — The Public Security Department (PSD) is now involved in applying the concept of comprehensive security in the Kingdom, a system which will enable the department to offer social services to the public in addition to ensuring security and safety, PSD Director General Lieutenant General Abdul Hadi Al Majali said on Thursday.

Lt-Gen. Majali said that the new system, which came into effect at the beginning of this year, involves reorganising the PSD system, dividing its activities into different administrative sections in line with the comprehensive security concept. The PSD has started setting up security centres, each in charge of geographic zones inhabited by 40,000 to 50,000 people, and so far two such centres at Al Muhajireen and Wadi Seer have been established, Lt-Gen. Majali pointed out.

He said that before the new system came into being, the PSD's activities were confined to maintaining order and security by enforcing laws and regulations and taking steps to prevent crime. But, he said, this activity did not help promote confidence and cooperation between the PSD and Jordanian society.

In order to promote cooperation between the two sides, the PSD has embarked on the new system which is expected to remove all psychological barriers between members of the public, security men and the police, Lt-Gen. Majali noted.

The PSD director was addressing a group of distinguished students from the University of Jordan to whom he spoke in length about the PSD's programmes and activities and objectives.

## New centres

Referring to the new centres being established in the country, Lt-Gen. Majali said that they will have different sections—one of which will be charged with handling and supervising juvenile activity and delinquency. This unit will be manned by well-trained women police officers, working hand-in-hand with the Ministry of Social Development, with the intention of reforming and helping those among the young generation who go astray, Lt-Gen. Majali pointed out. He said that these centres will also offer services to the local inhabitants through renewing driving licences for cars and thereby save time and effort for both the pub-

lic and the traffic department.

At present, the PSD is studying the prospect of establishing an office for the local municipal councils within the projected security centres to be manned by two representatives of the local community and also representatives of the concerned government ministries, Lt-Gen. Majali added.

He said that such offices would be entrusted with conducting studies of various social and services problems and recommending proposals and solutions to the concerned authorities. Since last year, the PSD has embarked on a training plan which goes hand-in-hand with the development plan; and it is aimed at giving proper training to 150 university graduates or students for 10 months to help man the new centres, according to Lt-Gen. Majali.

## Training

He said that recruits in this programme will receive four months military training, and five months training in police work in order to understand all the rules and regulations. One month is to be devoted to commando (crack force) duty. Graduates, he said, have already been absorbed by the PSD and have been distributed to various police stations where they are displaying excellent performance. The PSD, he said, plans to train up to 500 university students for such tasks which are essential for the new centres' activities.

At present, 40 per cent of the PSD officers are holders of university degrees and plans are underway to train 100 others to

control traffic operations, Lt-Gen. Majali noted.

## Reform centres

Referring to the subject of reformatory centres, he said, a new centre has been established at Jweideh, south of Amman. It is one of the most advanced centres of its kind in the Arab World, Lt-Gen. Majali noted. In addition, the PSD has formed social defence committees grouping specialists from the PSD and the University of Jordan to draw up sound bases for running reform schools in the Kingdom, he continued. He said a new law on this subject has been referred to the government to be ratified.

## Drugs

Referring to narcotics and drug addiction, Lt-Gen. Majali said that Jordan does not suffer from this problem and that statistics show all those who have been apprehended for dealing with such crimes amounted to 120 persons, most of whom were non-Jordanians. The problem, he said, is that Jordan has a central geographic location, lying between countries whose inhabitants either produce or consume the drugs, and this means that large amounts of drugs pass through Jordanian territory. Strict measures taken to control the situation have led to the seizure of nearly 80 per cent of the smuggled drugs, he noted. Jordan, he said, does not have organised crime either; but he said the country continues to face murder and robbery as major crimes.

## Reagan working on arms sales to Jordan, Boeker says

By Salameh B. Ne'matt and Sa'ad G. Hattar  
Jordan Times Staff Reporters

AMMAN — The U.S. administration is making an effort to convince Congress to accept the sale of part of a \$1.9 billion proposed arms package to Jordan that faltered in 1985 because of congressional opposition, a U.S. official has said.

"The effort to convince Congress of the error of their ways continues," U.S. Ambassador to Jordan Paul Boeker said. "And right now," he added, "the dialogue with Congress is on part of that (arms) proposition which we couldn't sustain last year."

The ambassador said that last year, his administration "has been unsuccessful in convincing the U.S. Congress in the full compelling logic" or providing Jordan with new fighter aircraft and air defence missiles.

He said that President Ronald Reagan was in favour of the arms sale to the Kingdom and that his position has not changed. He added Mr. Reagan will be pushing again for the arms sale "as soon as he thinks he has a chance."

Questioned following a lecture he delivered on Jordan and Middle East stability on Wednesday night, Mr. Boeker emphatically denied his country was planning military action against Lebanon in an attempt to free eight Americans kidnapped in Beirut.

He said the U.S. 7th Fleet "is normally stationed in the Mediterranean," and that "it's certainly not precluding any action against Lebanon."

He said the American armada in the area "is a symbol of American policy and rule in the region, sometimes welcome, and sometimes unwelcome... It does not indicate any action vis-a-vis Lebanon."

Reports from Washington indicated that the Pentagon is continuing to build up U.S. forces in the Middle East, moving a second marine amphibious force from Spain to the Mediterranean, doubling the number of marines deployed in the area.

Addressing an audience of the American University of Beirut (AUB) Alumni Club at the Amman Plaza Hotel, the ambassador answered several questions on U.S.-Jordanian relations, economic assistance to the Kingdom and the occupied territories, U.S. arms shipments to Iran, the Gulf war and American diplomacy in the region.

Responding to a question on whether Israel — which has been exporting American arms to Iran since 1980 — had made any formal commitment to the U.S. to halt further transfers of American arms to Tehran, the ambassador said he was not immediately aware of such a commitment, but added that Israel was under "a legal obligation" not transfer



Paul Boeker

American arms without going back to Washington. "They have been told in clarity that our position is no arms to Iran."

U.S. law bans the transfer of American weapons through a second party without a formal American authorisation. Mr. Boeker said that in any case of Israeli violation of this law, "there can be sanctions by the U.S. government." He said such actions have been taken before. He was apparently referring to the temporary U.S. halt of arms transfers to Israel following its invasion of Lebanon and its use of banned cluster bombs on populated cities in Lebanon in 1982.

## Peace efforts

On Middle East peace efforts, the U.S. envoy said his government's position was in favour of a comprehensive peace that would include all parties in the conflict, rather than separate peace treaties. However, he added that insisting on consensus would be an obstacle to peace as "some parties may veto the actions of the other."

He said that United Nations Resolution 242 was considered by his government as the "basic ground rule" for any peace negotiations. He said that an international peace conference required, on Israel's side, "the revitalisation of Israel's acceptance of 242." He said that the resolution "is not an uncontroversial subject in Israel."

On the need for Soviet participation in the proposed conference, Mr. Boeker said that his country was not opposed in principle to a Soviet participation, but that "We feel some good faith needs to be demonstrated (by the Soviets). It should be a constructive contribution." He did not elaborate.

## Policy towards Iran

Explaining his country's policy towards Iran, Mr. Boeker said: "Iran is a terribly important country for U.S. and the region. There was a quite specific judgement in Washington that a regime in Iran, very hostile to American

interest is already in transition and that it is important to try and establish a relationship with emerging forces that might be key ones in the next government."

Quoting his president, the ambassador added that, however, "it didn't work and the effort has been suspended in terms of arms playing role in the dialogue."

He said the U.S. policy is not to provide any more arms to Iran or any of the belligerents in the Gulf war.

"At this point," he said, "we insiders have high degree of confidence that this will have to remain the policy and practice of the U.S."

He pointed out that the United States will not be able to maintain its financial assistance to Jordan at this year's level of \$100 million, due to "pressures on the foreign assistance budget slashed by Congress."

## Aid

In the light of declining Arab aid to Jordan as well as the shrinking American assistance, the U.S., according to Mr. Boeker, will use this American economic aid programme in tune with the concept of helping Jordan "prepare for an era in which private capital is going to be critical for your success."

He said the U.S. is now "focusing on the area of technical assistance to private sector enterprise, technological transfer, and management development to mobilise

increasing amounts of private capital in the future."

On the U.S. response to Jordan's peace initiatives, he said the U.S. has responded through the Reagan initiative of 1982 and its expression of support for an association of Jordan and the Palestinians of the territory released from occupation in the course of a peace settlement. He said the Reagan plan was an effort to respond to a concept similar to that voiced by King Hussein for a Jordanian-Palestinian confederation.

"Our position is consistent in support of territorial integrity of Jordan and actions have been taken in this respect, deterring neighbours who might not accept that integrity," he said.

In his lecture, Mr. Boeker offered "an outsider's perspective" of Jordan in which he said that the Kingdom plays an important stabilising role in the region.

He said Jordan was facing threats from its "larger and aggressive neighbours... some of them have certain philosophical concepts such as greater Syria or Eretz Israel." He said those threats brought "territorial designs at Jordan's expense," and that these forces, at some time or another played "a disruptive role in (Jordan's) internal politics."

Former Information Minister Laila Sharaf, later commenting on the ambassador's remark said that Jordanians did not perceive the greater Syria concept as a threat compared to Israeli expansionist designs.

## Delegation in Dubai to attend Arab dentists' conference

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordan is taking part in an Arab Dentists' Federation (ADF) meeting which opened Friday in Dubai with a delegation representing the Jordanian Dentists Association (JDA) attending the meeting.

The delegation's leader Dr. Walid Maraqa said that the meeting will discuss preparations for holding a general Arab dentists conference in Amman in the coming year, and cooperation between Arab and foreign dentists

federation among a variety of subject on the agenda.

In addition to this meeting, the delegation will also take part in the United Arab Emirates general medical conference which will be attended by Arab and foreign doctors and dentists, Dr. Maraqa said.

Dr. Maraqa, who is also the president of the JDA, said that the conference will discuss studies in dental surgery and the health of dentures and gums.

## NHF expands its community services in Aqaba district

AQABA (Petra) — Mrs. In'am Al Mufti, the director general of the Noor Al Hussein Foundation (NHF), on Thursday held a meeting with representatives of various women's clubs and societies in Aqaba. Mrs. Mufti outlined the foundations activities and programmes with particular reference to the activities implemented through the art centre in Aqaba.

Discussion centred on training programmes for young women to enable them to carry out com-

munity activities in Aqaba district.

The meeting was in preparation for operating a NHF centre which was established in Aqaba under directives from Her Majesty Queen Noor. The NHF in Aqaba would be responsible for community services in general and programmes for women and children in particular.

The newly-opened centre in Aqaba contains a nursery, a kindergarten, units for vocational training and other facilities.

## Wastewater treatment plant in Irbid completed

AMMAN (J.T.) — The first phase of the Irbid water services project was concluded this week with the completion of a new wastewater treatment plant. The facility, funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in Jordan, will provide adequate wastewater treatment for the quickly-expanding city and the surrounding communities to the end of the century.

This joint American/Jordanian project, under the supervision of the director of projects at the Water Authority of Jordan, Mr. Fawzi Abu Nisaj, and the project engineer at USAID, Mr. Farid Salahi, will incorporate a one year training in management and operations technology, according to a press release issued by the American Centre in Amman.

The \$18 million construction cost of the treatment plant was shared by the United States and Jordan, with USAID providing \$13.5 million of the total.

The new phase of the Irbid water services project, due for completion in 1988, will provide a new water distribution system and wastewater collection for approximately 10,500 homes, some of which are presently connected to septic tanks, the release said.



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Talking Straight  
Marwan Muasher

IT is rather difficult to view the Fifth Islamic Summit, that took place in Kuwait last week, as being successful. Indeed, even if one tries to look for something positive in a region whose politics make little sense, it is still difficult to even attempt to camouflage the unsuccess of the summit, and indeed of the Islamic and Arab worlds to come to grips with itself.

The failure of the summit was, of course, not unexpected, except perhaps from those who like to daydream, those who still believe in miracles, and the official media, which still insists on denying people their right to information.

If we cannot pretend to be positive, at least we can try to be analytical. Thus, in the absence of a systematic approach to problems which transcend personal whims and which adopts a logical approach to the problems facing the Islamic World, one cannot expect the summit, which already faced difficult problems, to be able to do anything about them.

The fact remains today that the term "The Islamic World," just like its counterpart "The Arab World" is something little more than an expression used whenever we want to falsely portray to the world that we are united in goals and outlooks. But the truth of the matter is that the unity in religion among Islamic countries does not extend to a unity of goals, despite all attempts to hide this fact.

Indeed, in the complex world of today, it is difficult to imagine that 43 countries could be united over anything. And yet, again in the spirit of trying to be positive, these countries are willing to go through the motions of sitting together and paying lip service to each other.

As it turned out, Kuwait found out, or knew all along, that it

takes much more than a 400 million dollars conference centre to make a successful summit. One wonders whether the relative indifference with which the international media treated the conference is a result of Zionist plot against the Islamic World, or a simple acknowledgement of the futility of the gathering.

Thus, as expected, the conference resolutions again reflected the inconsistencies and lack of unity among the member states. How else can one explain such a weak reference to the Iran-Iraq war after seven years of constant bloody fighting? Instead, discussions focus on the ridiculous issue of whether presidents Mubarak and Assad had a handshake or not, as if the whole Arab-Israeli conflict comes down to the personal and passing meeting between the two heads of state.

Politics always dictated forging alliances between countries with a common interest, that share a similar outlook on a certain issue in a particular time frame. Once these common interests are no longer there, the alliances cease to exist. In the Arab and Islamic world of today, as it is probably around the world, it is seldom any religious or racial factors that dictate political alliances. If these happen to coincide with political interests, then the alliance is forged. If not, it has been the case that religious or racial factors are always overlooked.

Thus, in our recent past, we have seen examples in Lebanon where every otherwise unlikely alliance under the sun was made because of common interests, transcending all religious and racial elements. We have seen Syria align itself with the Falangists, Amal, the Palestinians and others at different periods in the war depending on the political circumstances. We have seen the

Falangists allying themselves with or condemning the Israelis again because of political reasons.

The list is endless, but the point is clear. While it is certainly desirable for Islamic or Arab states to be united in will, powers, and goals, such a unity is not likely to come in the near future because of a common religion or a common race. This is precisely because the Islamic feeling or the Arab national identity is not so strong among Islamic or Arab states to reach a common understanding of problems and a similar outlook on events, which in turn would allow a meaningful and effective alliance among these states.

Islamic or Arab unity may be then, a desirable, but long-term objective that requires the overcoming of serious obstacles before it is achieved. In the meantime, we cannot continue to kid ourselves by pretending that it already exists, and in the process refrain from taking effective measures towards solving our problems.

I suggest that we start following more effective, short-term solutions that do not necessarily contradict with our long-term goals, but ones that would result in more systematic and effective ways of dealing with our modern problems. If we are ready to accept this fact, then we can start placing proper emphasis where it belongs, of cooperating with countries that truly share our views and our outlooks. Only then can we stop such continuous disappointments from meetings such as the Islamic summit, knowing that there is at present no true foundation that could make them work.

We can keep daydreaming about our future, or we can do something about it. But, for God's sake, let us not keep kidding ourselves that things are really working.

## Who are we kidding?



Christian Lacroix



Flared taffeta



Bobby organza



Spotted ruffles

## Women's fashions for spring — ruffles and lace

By Barbara Bright  
Reuters

PARIS — Ruffles, laces and out-



Floral topper

rageous hats like tulle wedding cakes or television satellite dishes are part of the fun and fantasy Paris designers are predicting for spring and summer fashions.

Recent showings of haute couture collections by old masters like Yves Saint Laurent and young upstarts like Christian Lacroix of Jean Patou should give sales a much-needed lift, say some experts.

The fashions are intended for jet-set customers who can afford the astronomical prices — some \$8,000 for a simple dress.

But the ideas emanating from the Paris fashion shows quickly trickle down to ready-to-wear manufacturers artists in other world fashion capitals.

In this year's collections tulle and black satin ribbon could be measured by the mile. Tulle ruf-

fles flounced skirts and added fullness to layers of petticoats. Hats like birdcages or flower gardens were swathed in cumulus clouds of tulle.

Black satin ribbon alternated with bands of black organza in Karl Lagerfeld's cocktail dress designs for Chanel. Maryll Lanvin used it to wrap around fortune pleated silks, and Marc Bohan at Christian Dior tied strands of bulky fake pearl jewelry at neck and wrist with black satin bows.

Creole, Spanish and gay nineties themes dominated the showings and determined the fabrics.

The carefree creole dresses at Patou were in eyelet, striped or polka dotted polished cottons, gingham and pique. Flamenco designs and creations harking back to the belle époque, as the

French call the gay nineties, required lace.

But Gerard Pipart's introduction of a nostalgic 1940s element with pastel gabardine suits and straw hats with smudges won his designs for Nina Ricci the week's prize of the Golden Thimble for the most original collection.

Colours covered the spectrum, with pink and green popular in most collections. Black and white still rule the evening, although Saint Laurent showed a satin cocktail suit in hot pink and fire engine red.

With all the ruffles underneath, skirts were full, or puffy like artichokes, bubbles or balloons. Erik Mortensen for Pierre Balmain showed a short dress with ruffles rising in the back to form an amusing ducktail.

For a change of pace Pierre Cardin gave his clothes a bizarre futuristic look, with hems wired like a hula hoop. Some of his hats were shaped like lampshades.

Waists were tight, and often cinched with wide leather belts. Saint Laurent and Norwegian designer Per Spook showed tunic overblouses, dropping the belts to hip level.

Lacroix at Patou and Mortensen at Balmain also showed under-the-bosom empire waistlines, which prompted one wealthy observer to speculate as to which of her pregnant friends she should recommend as buyers for the dresses.

Most designers anchored hem-



Satiny bustle

lines at the knee, save for Saint Laurent, who hiked them to mid-thigh and even raked some wrap-skirts higher in an upside-down modified V.

Shoulders receded a bit, except at Emanuel Ungaro, where huge

puffed sleeves and Bouffant Boleros gave his collection a renaissance sumptuousness. A simple, elegant touch from Ungaro that any woman could copy were the small satin ribbon bows pinned at the hairline at the neck.

## Artificial insemination: health officials express AIDS fears

By Katherine King  
Reuters

NEW YORK — Fertility experts and health officials in the United States fear that women undergoing artificial insemination may risk contracting AIDS through infected donated sperm.

Some experts estimate that up to 50,000 women undergo artificial insemination in the United States each year.

Health authorities fear inadequate measures are being taken to protect these women and their babies from exposure to AIDS, which can be transmitted by semen.

Women can be artificially inseminated with fresh or frozen sperm. Some experts say there is a better chance of conception with fresh sperm, but they fear that the practice poses a greater risk of AIDS transmission.

"Doctors who provide patients with fresh sperm are playing Russian roulette with them. It's just a matter of time before someone is infected," said Dr. Joseph Feldschun, medical director at Idant, a large U.S. sperm bank.

Although tests are now available to measure AIDS antibodies — a sign of exposure to the virus — the antibodies may not appear for many months, he explained. Therefore, tests on a sperm donor who was recently exposed to the virus might not measure any antibodies. The sperm, however, can already be contaminated.

About 80 per cent of all artificial insemination is done with fresh sperm, which is cheaper. But Feldschun and other physicians advocate extra precautions against AIDS, chiefly by the use of the frozen sperm.

The donor can be tested for AIDS, his sperm frozen, and then

be retested at a late date, ensuring that no AIDS antibodies had developed in the intervening months.

The concern grows out of a case in Sydney, Australia, where doctors in 1985 reported that at least four women were infected with AIDS through artificial insemination.

The four women — two of whom bore children through the procedure — were all inseminated with sperm from one man, who was later determined to be an AIDS carrier. None of the women or babies have so far developed the disease itself.

No-one knows how many carriers will get AIDS. Many doctors estimate that up to half will become ill within five years.

Health officials estimate that a million Americans may be AIDS carriers. So far, 29,000 cases have been reported in the United States, and about half the victims have died.

So far, most AIDS patients have been homosexual or bisexual men or intravenous drug users. But experts are worried about the spread into the heterosexual population.

Of sperm donation as a mode of transmission, one Seattle doctor said: "The risk group is small but the risk is deadly."

A spokeswoman for the American Fertility Society said it was hard to gauge how many couples tried artificial insemination, through clinics or private doctors, because no central records are kept.

Confidentiality is also a factor, fertility experts said, explaining that many donors fear paternity suits and recipients often want to keep secret their artificial insemination.

"It's a very personal and sensi-

tive issue," said Dr. Mary Guinen, an expert on sexually transmitted diseases at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

"There is so much secrecy about the process. Who knows where that sperm comes from?" she said.

Voicing concern over commercial aspects of the industry, she said newspaper adverts offer donors up to \$500. Ethically, she added, donors should donate, not sell.

While big sperm banks like Idant are reputable, most sperm donations and inseminations are done through private doctors and small clinics, said Guinen, one of the experts who have called for more stringent guidelines to guard against AIDS.

Some non-binding guidelines do exist, but there are no enforceable federal regulations, Guinen said.

The guidelines, updated because of AIDS, include the use of frozen sperm, certification of sperm banks, standardisation of procedures, and follow-up of donors and recipients.

Fertility expert Dr. C. Alvin Paulson recommended launching an immediate campaign warning people seeking artificial insemination that they should insist on very careful screening of donors. He also said sperm banks should be organised into a network with uniform standards, like red cross-monitored blood banks.

Idant rigorously screens donors, accepting only 15 to 20 per cent of the applicants after physical tests and personal interviews, Feldschun said.

After the initial tests, the donor's sample is frozen, stored and tested again after at least three months.

## JTV Channel 2 Preview

Sat. — Feb. 7, 1987

8:30 Music Box

9:30 Dad's Army  
The Deadly Attachment

10:20 Feature Film  
Firecrack

Starring:  
Henry Fonda,  
James Stewart

Larkin (Henry Fonda) and his gang decide to stay in the small town of Firecrack, while his wounds heal. The confrontation is between the murderous gang and the small township headed by the former sheriff (James Stewart).

Sun. — Feb. 8, 1987

8:30 Who's The Boss

9:10 Doc. — The Day the Universe Changed  
A Matter of Act

This programme is devoted to the impact of a single invention: printing. The medieval world, dominated by the oral tradition of handing down memorised knowledge, is utterly transformed by Gutenberg's revolutionary technique of printing texts rapidly and inexpensively. At Martin Luther's church in Germany we see how it generated the first modern propaganda campaign. In the library of Sir William More we observe how, by 1550, the printed page had shaped today's literate world of indexing and cataloguing of standardised knowledge.

10:20 Magnum

Mad Dogs and English Men

Mon. — Feb. 9, 1987

8:30 Executive Stress

Can a husband and wife work together successfully in high-powered jobs? Or does the situation automatically lead to *Executive Stress*? The question is hilariously answered in this comedy series starring Penelope Keith, one of Britain's most popular character actresses, and distinguished comedy performer Geoffrey Palmer.

The pair play Caroline and Donald Fairchild, a husband and wife who become reluctant partners in the same publishing company.

9:10 Rage of Angels

In Rome, where Jennifer has flown to the side of an ailing Father Ryan and where her son has a terrible accident, Jennifer meets the commanding and somewhat offbeat Marchesa Allabrandi who has some surprising news for the distraught attorney.

10:20 Special Programme  
The Bolshoi

This unique insight into the Bolshoi Ballet includes film of current productions in rehearsal and performance, interviews with the director and dancers, and fascinating archive footage.

Tue. — Feb. 10, 1987

8:30 Ever Decreasing Circles  
Ann gets bored of her routine life with her husband. Martin asks his neighbour's advice to change that...

9:30 Varieties

10:20 The Fourth Arm

All the doubts go around one of the volunteers. Galagar sends volunteers to France in order to get in touch with the French resistance.

Wed. — Feb. 11, 1987

8:30 Three's Company

9:10 The Africans

10:20 Captains and Kings

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8:30 Paul Daniels Show

9:10 Remington Steele

10:20 Feature Film

The Lady Vanishes

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Cybill Shepherd,  
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# Connors, McEnroe advance in U.S. indoor tournament

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Second-seeded Jimmy Connors and fourth seeded John McEnroe advanced to the quarter-final round of the U.S. Pro Indoor Tennis Tournament.

Fifth seeded Tim Mayotte also progressed, but sixth seeded Emilio Sanchez of Spain fell in the upset-riddled tournament.

McEnroe, a four-time winner of this championship, was in sharp form in cutting down Tomas Smid of Czechoslovakia, 6-2, 6-1 on Thursday night.

McEnroe engaged in customary bickering with officials over line calls and won the first set with a return of service for a passing shot down the line.

He reached match point in the seventh game of the second set with a service ace then won the match with another serve which Smid hit back into the net.

Connors, a four-time winner of the title, scored on his seventh match point to defeat Scott Davis, 6-3, 4-6, 7-5, in a three-hour struggle.

Davis, who was 17th in the world in 1985, had been a nemesis

for Connors. He beat Connors in straight sets in both their previous meetings.

Connors, who rallied from 0-2 in the third set, broke through service for his first lead at 5-4, but lost two match points in the 10th game. In the 12th game he lost four match points before winning on his fifth with an overhead slam into open territory.

A pair of Czechs, no. 9 Milan Srejber and no. 10 Karel Novacek, also advanced to the quarterfinal round of the week-long tournament. Srejber advanced by defeating no. 7 Tim Wilkison 2-6, 6-4, 6-2, while Novacek ousted no. 8 Eric Jelen of West Germany 2-6, 7-6, 6-4.

With the defeat Wednesday of top-seeded Mats Wilander and no. 3 Brad Davis, only three of the top eight seeds are still in contention.

Mayotte, who defaulted in last year's final to Ivan Lendl because of pulled stomach muscles, beat left-hander Ben Testerman 6-2, 6-2.

Sanchez failed to sustain a first-set advantage and was beaten by the sound driving and volleying of no. 11 Jakob Hlasek of Switzerland 6-7, 7-5, 6-4.

Srejber beat Wilkison with service power and a forceful placement game that kept him repeatedly making recovery shots.

Novacek won a second set tiebreaker after taking command at 2-2 and winning five of the next six points, including two service aces.

Paul Annaccone, no. 14, prevailed over Broderick Dyke, a left-handed Australian, 6-1, 6-7, 6-3.

Amos Mansdorf, the no. 16 player from Israel, scored by 7-5, 6-1, over Jan Gunnarsson of Sweden.

Gunnarsson was playing with a pulled stomach muscle. He injured himself in the first set of the match Wednesday night, when he upset fellow Swede Wilander.

## NBA roundup

### Twin towers lead Washington to win

NEW YORK (AP) — Move over, Akem and Ralph. The NBA's twin towers are now in Washington.

Moses Malone led a third-quarter charge and Manute Bol blocked 12 shots Thursday night as Washington beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 94-95.

Malone, one of the best established big men in basketball at 6-foot-10, and Bol, at 7-foot-7 and still awkward in his second year, have rarely been on the court at the same time this season.

"The most we've played together was a minute or so before last week," said Bol, who shared 15 minutes of playing time with Malone against Cleveland.

Bol and Malone formed a pretty imposing front line, akin to Houston's pairing of 7-foot Akem Olajuwon and 7-foot-4 Ralph Sampson. But, at least for the next six weeks, the Rockets' twin towers are under repair because of a knee injury to Sampson.

In other NBA games Thursday, the last night of play before Sunday's all-star game in Seattle, Portland beat the Los Angeles Lakers 105-104. Utah defeated

the Los Angeles Clippers 126-103. New York beat New Jersey 135-118. Indiana downed Detroit 98-93. Milwaukee beat Chicago 120-105. San Antonio defeated Seattle 117-111. Phoenix stopped Denver 113-110 and Houston beat Golden State 120-110. Trail Blazers 105, L.A. Lakers 104.

Terry Porter scored 18 points, including two game-winning foul shots with four seconds left, as Portland won for the first time in 11 games against the Lakers.

Magic Johnson scored 26 points for the Lakers. Knicks 135, Nets 118.

Patrick Ewing scored 38 points with 15-for-19 shooting from the field and Gerald Wilkins scored a career-high 34 points as New York pummeled New Jersey.

Rockets 120, Warriors 110. Akem Olajuwon scored 21 points, grabbed 11 rebounds and blocked nine shots to lead Houston past Golden State.

Chris Mullin scored 20 points for the visiting Warriors. Spurs 117, Supersonics 111.

Jon Sundvold scored 25 points as San Antonio won its seventh

straight game by beating Seattle. David Greenwood scored 20 points with 18 rebounds for San Antonio.

Pacers 98, Pistons 93.

Vern Fleming scored 24 points and Chuck Person added 22 as Indiana ended its seven-game losing streak by beating Detroit.

Isiah Thomas scored 33 points, 19 in the fourth quarter, as Detroit had its three-game winning streak ended.

Bucks 120, Bulls 105.

Ricky Pierce scored 32 points and Terry Cummings 29 as host Milwaukee beat Chicago.

Michael Jordan scored 36 points for Chicago.

Jazz 126, Clippers 103.

Karl Malone scored 21 of his 27 points in the first half as Utah beat the hapless Clippers.

Mike Woodson scored 19 points for the host Clippers. Suns 113, Nuggets 100.

Larry Nance scored 25 points and Walter Davis 23 as Phoenix ended its three-game losing string by beating visiting Denver.

Lafayette Lever and Evans both had 16 points for the Nuggets, who had won three in a row.

## Euro soccer preview

### Barcelona expects Espanol to be tough

LONDON (R) — Having outsparked Real Madrid in last Saturday's gathering of Spanish soccer's glitterati, Barcelona has a less glamorous date this weekend when it is due round at the neighbours.

It is an annual chore Barcelona seldom enjoys. Espanol has a healthy contempt for its guests' reputation and it is three years since the Catalan aristocrats beat their fellow-citizens in the Sarria Stadium.

Espanol can be expected to keep an especially wary eye on England striker Gary Lineker, top marksman in the World Cup in Mexico and scorer of all three goals in the thrilling 3-2 triumph against Real which left Barcelona three points clear at the top of the Spanish First Division.

Lineker, 26, who has just signed a five-year contract with a British boot manufacturer which will make him a millionaire, has a remarkable record of never hav-

ing been cautioned or sent off since he started in school's soccer.

Barcelona's \$4.5 million signing from Everton explained his impeccable behaviour by saying: "I haven't got a temper and I just don't retaliate... though I don't know how long that record will survive in Spain."

Espanol, seven points behind in third place, retain title ambitions of its own and its grudging defence will be queuing up to put Lineker's pacifist beliefs to the test on Sunday.

Lineker's chief accomplice at Barcelona, Welsh forward Mark Hughes, has yet to learn the art of turning the other cheek and he will also be a special target on his return from suspension after collecting four yellow cards.

Real Madrid emerged with great credit from last week's classic encounter in the Nou Camp Stadium — coming from 3-0 down to set up a nerve-tangling

climax — and it should maintain the pressure on Barcelona by taking full points from its home fixture against Racing Santander.

Diego Maradona, who often attempts to play and "advise" the referee at the same time, is due to sit out Italian League leader Napoli's home game against Avellino on Sunday.

The Argentine was given a one-match ban for accusing a referee of bias last month but is hopeful of a reprieve when his appeal is heard.

If Avellino's recent luck is anything to go by — six first team regulars are injured, ill or suspended — Maradona will probably talk his way out of trouble and back into action.

With World Cup striker Sandro Altobelli in superb form and heading the First Division top scorers' list, second-placed Internazionale should have little trouble in disposing of bottom-of-the-table Udinese.

## SPORTS IN BRIEF

### Winds ground hot air balloon

AMMAN (J.T.) — The hot air balloon exhibition at Al Kharanah Castle was grounded as a result of high winds. The exhibition, sponsored by British Airways and the Amman Marriott hotel, is tentatively scheduled to lift off today from the Marriott hotel parking lot at 5 p.m. Approximately 1,500 people turned out for Al Kharanah Castle event, some 75 kilometres to the southeast of Amman.

### Soviet Union wins Nehru Cup

KOZHIKODE, India (AP) — Defending champion Soviet Union won the Jawaharlal Nehru Cup international soccer tournament for the third consecutive year Thursday, beating Bulgaria 2-0 in the final. The Soviet victory came after a goalless first-half. The Soviets struck twice after the break to achieve a hat-trick of gold cup wins. The goals were scored by mid-fielders Vadim Tischenko and Alexei Vkhaltchenko.

### Soviets, Canadians in boxing finals

JAKARTA (R) — Defending champion the Soviet Union and newcomer Canada will slug it out for team honours Saturday at the President's Cup world amateur boxing championships after their boxers stormed through the semi-finals. The Soviet Union, which has won this annual tournament five times since it began a decade ago, has six men in the final. Canada, making its first appearance here, has five.

### Luton knocked out of F.A. Cup

LONDON (AP) — Luton Town, which knocked holder Liverpool out of the F.A. (Football Association) Cup in the previous round, itself tumbled out of the competition Wednesday, when it was beaten by Queens Park Rangers 2-1. The fourth round match at Rangers' Loftus Road Stadium was a replay of what has been dubbed the "plastic cup final" because both clubs have artificial playing surfaces. The two sides tied 1-1 at Luton on Saturday. In another fourth round replay, Sheffield Wednesday downed Third Division Chester City 3-1.

### English League to mark centenary

LONDON (AP) — English soccer authorities, who run the world's oldest league competition, announced they will celebrate its centenary with a match featuring a World All-Star XI at Wembley on August 8. Terry Venables, London-born manager of Spanish club Barcelona, will select the world side against an English Football League (EFL) team, which can include international stars playing in the domestic league and will be chosen by the national team manager, Bobby Robson.

### Soviets sweep men's figure skating

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia (AP) — Alexander Fadeev of the Soviet Union turned a near-perfect performance Thursday to win his second men's European figure skating title, ahead of two other Soviets. Second place went to Vladimir Kotin who was second in last year's European Championship and the third to Viktor Petrenko, fourth last year. It was the first time the Soviets swept the men's medals in European or World Championships.

### Schneider wins giant slalom

CRANS-MONTANA, Switzerland (AP) — Vreni Schneider of Switzerland exchanged tears of frustration for smiles of joy, winning the women's giant slalom at the Alpine Ski World Championships. Schneider edged Mateja Svet, the 18-year-old Yugoslav who two days before had narrowly beaten the Swiss veteran for the bronze in the women's Super-G. When that medal suddenly vanished, Schneider cried in the finish area.

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## India's Srikanth hits century

MADRAS, India (R) — Opening batsman Krishnamachari Srikanth hit 123 Friday as India delighted a 50,000 capacity crowd with some powerful batting in its first innings on the third day of the first test against Pakistan.

At the close, in reply to Pakistan's formidable first innings total of 487 for nine declared, India was 290 for two.

Openers Srikanth and Sunil Gavaskar gave India an excellent

start with a stand of 200 after resuming at its overnight score of 15 for no wicket.

They dominated Pakistan's attack, Srikanth, in particular, enjoying the bowling with some hard hitting as he raced to his total from 149 deliveries, hitting 18 fours and two sixes.

In one over he hit Imran Khan for two fours and a six. In another Abdul Qadir was dispatched for three fours in succession.

## Australia wins to enter cricket cup final

SYDNEY (R) — All-rounder Simon O'Donnell hit 23 from 15 deliveries to clinch a two wicket victory for Australia over the West Indies in the final World Series Cup preliminary cricket match Friday.

O'Donnell, hit three boundaries including the winning hit from the first ball of the 50th and final over to take Australia to 195 for eight in reply to West Indies' 192 from 49 overs.

The win put Australia on top of the World Series Cup table with 10 points and it will now meet England in the best-of-three final starting in Melbourne on Sunday.

West Indies, who needed an improbably 374 to qualify for the final ahead of England on run rate, lost its last seven wickets for only 44 runs after Theobald Payne and Larry Gomes had added 78 for the fourth wicket.



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# LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Friday.

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	38.30/40	Belgian francs
	6.1725/1825	French francs
	1318/1320	Italian lire
	154.20/30	Japanese yen
	6.5775/5875	Swedish crowns
	7.0775/0875	Norwegian crowns
	6.9900/7.0000	Danish crowns
One ounce of gold	402.80/403.30	U.S. dollars

# LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON (R) — Profit-taking as the end of the account approached saw shares drift back from earlier record highs, dealers said.

By 1530 GMT, the FTSE index was 21.2 points up on Thursday's record close to 1,887.3 after an all time high on Friday of 1,896.1. The FT 30 index crossed the 1,500 level for the first time and at 1500 GMT was 19.5 up at 1,505.7.

The FTSE 100 has risen nearly 210 points since the end of 1986, with around 100 points of that gain made during the two week account ending Friday. Another record breaking Wall Street showing overnight and a strong pound helped Friday's gains.

Advances of around 1/2 point in government bonds reflected a firmer pound and helped underpin shares earlier in Friday's session. But it was news of Ranks Hovis McDougall's £268 million approach for Avana group that gave momentum to the gains in the wider market for much of the day, dealers said.

Avana rose to 711p following the news before easing back 688 after the company rejected the offer.

# YOUR DAILY Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

## FORECAST FOR SATURDAY, FEB. 7, 1987

**GENERAL TENDENCIES:** A day which is very good for whatever occupies your weekend time. Take a short trip for whatever your purposes if you like. Be outgoing.

**ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)** A good day to get as much data as you can. State your wishes to those who can help you gain them.

**TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)** Be with experts who can give you the advice you sorely need. Be most thoughtful with your mate.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 21)** You can make friendships today that can be worthwhile for some time to come. Be happier.

**MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21)** You can gain help from others to get a plan in motion that you believe in. You can't do it alone.

**LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21)** Contact friends, both male and female, who can give you the best advice on how to gain personal wishes.

**VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22)** Outside affairs of all kinds can be handled nicely to your advantage. Bigwigs will be happy to help you now.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)** See what can be done to give you a greater abundance in the future. Follow through with your plans now.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)** A good day to discuss with attachments where you are headed and how to improve yourself.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)** Listening to persons who give good ideas can help you launch some of your own new activities.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20)** Do whatever you can to make your home more charming. Come to an agreement with co-workers.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19)** Plan how best to have a good time. Show your creative capabilities to those who will appreciate them.

**PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20)** Find out what kin expect of you at home and do your best to please them. Don't stay up too late tonight.

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# NEWS IN BRIEF

## Taipei stops sending oil tankers to M.E.

TAIPEI (R) — Taiwan has stopped sending oil tankers to the Middle East because of the escalating war between Iran and Iraq, a spokesman for the state-owned Chinese Petroleum Corporation (CPC) said Thursday. He told Reuters CPC will charter foreign tankers to transport Taiwan's oil imports from the Middle East, including Saudi Arabia and Kuwait but declined to give details. CPC's fleet of 10 tankers is now being switched to Asian oil ports, including Indonesia and Malaysia, he said. Taiwan imports about 340,000 barrels of crude per day, with over 60 per cent from the Middle East, he added.

## Emirates to start Europe flights in July

DUBAI (R) — Emirates, the new airline formed by the government of Dubai, will start flights to London and Frankfurt on July 1, an airline spokesman said. He said the airline would fly daily to London and twice a week to Frankfurt via Istanbul. Emirates was launched in October 1985 after Dubai expressed dissatisfaction with the services of Gulf Air, the regional carrier owned by the governments of Bahrain, Oman, Qatar and Abu Dhabi. Aviation sources said the airline was considering buying a third Airbus A-310. It now owns two Airbus and a Boeing 727 and leases an Airbus and a Boeing 737 from Pakistan International Airlines.

## China to expand international air routes

PEKING (AP) — China's national airlines, the Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC), will open five new international air routes this year, CAAC Director Hu Yizhou said Friday. Mr. Hu told a meeting there will be two new routes to Japan — one linking Peking with Fukuoka and another linking Peking with Tokyo via Dalian. The other new routes will be from Peking to Canada, Berlin via Moscow and Istanbul via Urumqi in western China and Shanghai in the Middle East. U.S.-bound planes from CAAC will also have a stopover in Tokyo beginning this year, he said.

## IWC estimates record wheat output

LONDON (R) — The International Wheat Council (IWC) estimated world wheat production last year at a record 533 million tonnes against an estimated 506 million tonnes in 1985. In its latest market report, the IWC revised the 1986 figure upwards from its December estimate of 520 million tonnes, mainly because of an unexpectedly high official forecast for the Soviet Union's wheat crop of 92.3 million tonnes, up from 78 million tonnes in 1985.

## G.M., Chrysler report lower profits

DETROIT (R) — General Motors (G.M.), one of the world's largest corporations, said its 1986 profits fell 26.4 per cent to \$2.95 billion while annual profits at Chrysler dropped 14.6 per cent to \$1.4 billion. G.M. closed the books on 1986 by taking a more than \$1.2 billion charge against earnings, the cost of closing down 16 of its older U.S. plants over the next three years. Annual revenues rose to \$102 billion from \$96.5 billion last year. G.M. said the closure costs were a major reason why fourth-quarter profits nosedived 69.5 per cent to \$382 million from \$1.25 billion last year. G.M. also cited a decline in worldwide vehicle sales to 2,016,000 from 2,330,000 a year earlier, with most of the drop coming from the United States. Chrysler announced its fourth consecutive year of strong profits despite a decline from the previous year.



## Marketing, management seminar ends

AMMAN (J.T.) — CCM/Tack International, a subsidiary of CCM Middle East, SARL and specialist in the field of human resources training in the Middle East has just completed an open house seminar in Amman, covering the subject of "how to market effectively and increase sales and profitability in a downturn." Pictured above having attended the seminar, are executives of such reputable firms as the Boots Company PLC, Dar Al Dawa, and F. Hoffmann-La Roche and Co. Ltd. Such open house seminars as well as in house seminars, custom tailored to serve individual companies needs, have helped managers and sales representatives to develop their sales and management skills to meet the challenge of any downturn.

## Jordan obtains JD 65.8 million in grants, loans

AMMAN (J.T.) — Jordan received JD 65.8 million in foreign grants and development loans during the third quarter of last year.

According to the November issue of the Central Bank of Jordan's monthly statistical bulletin, JD 53.3 million in grants were classified as "budget support" while JD 12.5 million were development loans from six Arab and foreign countries and "other" international agencies.

The sources of grants were not given but the loans category was topped by Japan which provided JD 3.3 million.

The Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development (AFESD) ranked in second place, extending JD 1.1 million in credits, followed by Saudi Arabia which lent JD 973,000.

Kuwait, West Germany and Britain gave Jordan JD 921,000, JD 574,000 and JD 104,000 in development loans respectively, while JD 5.8 million in loans were extended by "other" international agencies.

During the second quarter of 1986, the total of foreign grants was JD 6.0 million, but development loans amounted to JD 23.0 million.

Japan, Saudi Arabia, West Germany and Kuwait were the major creditors as they lent JD 7.1 million, JD 3.1 million, JD 1.5 million and JD 1.1 million respectively.

USAID loans amounted to JD 0.9 million, followed by JD 0.6 million from Britain, and JD 0.3 million from the AFESD. The loans without any specific name of creditors totalled JD 8.4 million.

Compared to the third quarter in 1985, the combined figures of grants and loans were about JD 10 million less in 1986.

## UAE dirham suffers from declining dollar

ABU DHABI (OPECNA) — The fall in the U.S. dollar over the last two years has triggered off a sharp depreciation in the value of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) dirham against other major European currencies.

According to a study published here by the daily Al Khaleej newspaper, the dirham has lost up to 77 per cent of its value since the dollar began to spiral.

It said with most world currencies rising against the falling dollar, the dirham had remained relatively stable, maintaining an exchange rate of about 3.67 to the dollar.

In that period, it said, the West German mark and the Swiss franc had both appreciated by some 73 per cent against the dirham, while the Dutch florin had posted a 77 per cent increase.

Other currencies to register gains against the UAE dirham were the Japanese Yen (65 per cent), the French franc (59 per cent), the Belgian franc (69 per cent) and the British pound (33 per cent).

## Oil supply, demand remain unpredictable, IEA reports

PARIS (R) — Major uncertainties over supply and demand are clouding the world oil market outlook for the first nine months of 1987, the International Energy Agency (IEA) said Friday.

Consumers, question marks include the likely economic growth rate in industrial countries, which has been projected at 2.75 per cent this year but in the view of many analysts probably will be lower.

On the producer side, uncertainties include the volume of Saudi Arabian oil coming onto the market and the outcome of Iran's Gulf war offensive against the Iraqi port of Basra, only a few kilometres from Iraq's southern oil fields.

In its latest monthly oil market report, the Paris-based IEA said oil consumption in the 24 leading non-Communist industrial nations — the members of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development — appeared to have risen by about 2.5 per cent last year to 34.8 million barrels per day (b/d).

Most of the growth was in the second and third quarters when deliveries from the refineries to consumers rose four per cent above levels a year earlier, it said.

Fourth quarter deliveries rose between 1.5 and two per cent on year earlier levels and the IEA said it expected a similar growth rate in the first three months of this year.

For the first nine months it still expected a 1.5 per cent growth

rate, unchanged from its previous estimate a month ago, resulting mainly from increased use of gasoline, diesel and jet transportation fuels. Use of heavy fuel oil, in contrast, could decline slightly as natural gas recovers lost competitively, the agency said.

But uncertainties over economic growth prospects, future crude and refined oil prices, consumer stockpile movements and the weather could all force later revisions in the forecast, the report cautioned.

Total world oil supply fell to an estimated 45.7 million b/d last month, 1.3 million less than in December, the IEA said.

Meanwhile, OPEC President Rikman Lukman of Nigeria said Thursday all members of the group were now selling oil at fixed prices which became effective last Sunday.

"As far as I know, no one is selling outside their fixed prices," he told Reuters after three days of talks in Davos, Switzerland with oil industry leaders and energy ministers from the United States, Canada, Norway, Australia, Indonesia and the Soviet Union.

He welcomed news that Aramco, the Saudi Arabian oil company originally formed by Amer-

ican firms, had reached a long-term pact to buy Saudi oil for \$17.52 a barrel.

Mr. Lukman denied oil industry speculation that some of the 13 members of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) were violating the new price system.

Such arrangements were legitimate as long as OPEC exporters sold within fixed prices and did not produce above their individual quotas, he said.

There was even compliance with the new prices by Iraq, which refused to sign OPEC's December accord to return to fixed prices by Feb. 1 and cut output by 7.25 per cent to 15.8 million b/d to boost prices, he added.

Mr. Lukman's talks were held at a world economic symposium attended by bankers, businessmen and politicians. A general consensus emerged from the talks that last year's low prices were damaging to both producer and consumer nations, he said.

He said his talks did not cover formal mechanism with non-OPEC nations to stabilise prices and were not aimed at getting concessions from countries like the United States.

He expressed satisfaction with cooperation from non-OPEC producers such as Egypt, the Soviet Union and Norway which had backed OPEC's strategy with their own production cuts but was disappointed with Britain for refusing to effect similar cuts.

## Brazilian minister blasts Citicorp

BRASILIA (AP) — Finance Minister Dilson Funaro said Thursday that Brazil should not sacrifice its economy to support Citicorp's profits.

Mr. Funaro was responding to a Wall Street Journal article published Wednesday in which Citicorp Chairman John Reed said creditor banks should not make further concessions to debtor countries in debt rescheduling negotiations.

Mr. Funaro said Mr. Reed's statements indicated he was unwilling to be flexible in upcoming debt negotiations. "I find this in the very least, disrespectful of those who will sit on the other side of the table," Mr. Funaro said.

Citicorp holds \$4.6 billion of Brazil's \$103 billion foreign debt, the largest of any developing country.

In the article, Mr. Reed said that 25 per cent of Citicorp's profits came from interest payments on Latin American foreign debts, which total more than \$300 billion.

"The article was helpful to us," Mr. Funaro said. "At least it proved that Latin American debts are a great source of profit for Citicorp, profits they are not willing to give up. But we aren't here to sacrifice ourselves and our economy to maintain Citicorp's profits," he said.

Brazil soon must enter negotiations with creditor banks to roll over payment of \$58.4 billion

falling due between 1986 and 1991. President Jose Sarney has said he wants to limit interest payments to 2.5 per cent of Brazil's gross national product (GNP). The country currently pays out 3.8 per cent to four per cent of its GNP to service the debt.

Mr. Funaro said that in the last five years Brazil has spent \$55 billion to meet interest bills and has received only \$19 billion in new financing.

## Government lifts controls

Meanwhile, the Brazilian government has lifted price controls on 2,100 products in what appears to mark the end of the anti-inflation programme started a year ago.

The announcement Thursday prompted emergency meetings of opposition groups and labour leaders, who said they feared the lifting of controls would lead to renewed high inflation levels that plagued Brazil earlier in the decade.

But leaders of the president's Brazilian Democratic Movement Party backed the decision, which had long been sought by business leaders.

"It was inevitable," said Mr. Roberto Cardoso Alves, a deputy for the ruling party. "The law of supply and demand is the only law that can sustain democracy."

President Sarney last February implemented the Cruzado economic plan, which froze prices on 2,500 goods. Inflation, running at 255 per cent in 1985, dropped to just 22.2 per cent from March through November, when the government announced the programme would be altered.

But the price freeze led to a recession. With businessmen cutting production, supermarket shelves began to empty.

Thursday's decree lifted controls on 2,100 products, while maintaining a freeze on 400 other goods, Mr. Funaro said.

There was no official word on the likely effect of the measure. Jornal Do Brasil, one of the country's leading newspapers, estimated inflation would rise to 20 per cent in February alone.

An inflation rate of 7.3 per cent was reported in December. Figures for January have not been released.

"Inflation is going to explode," said Mr. Amaral Neto, rightist leader of the Social Democratic Party. He charged that Mr. Funaro was "incompetent, inept and messianic."

Mr. Luis Ignacio Lula Da Silva, president of the leftist Workers' Party, called the announcement "another aggression against the workers."

Local newspapers reported that labour leaders, who had agreed to wage controls as part of the government's anti-inflation programme, were considering a general strike.

# THE Daily Crossword

by Victor Jambor, Jr.

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- 17 G1A, 11D and 28D?
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- 28 Makes beloved
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- 37 Prepare for action
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- 44 To — (pre-cast)
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- 68 Thinks
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- 10 Fished in a way
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## Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

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- 28 MAKES BELOVED
- 32 —, ARENA, SMART
- 33 REASONABLE
- 35 CERTAIN ONE OF 21A
- 37 PREPARE FOR ACTION
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- 41 MUSIC NUMBER
- 42 STAVES
- 44 TO — (PRE-CAST)
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- 61 UNDERWEAR
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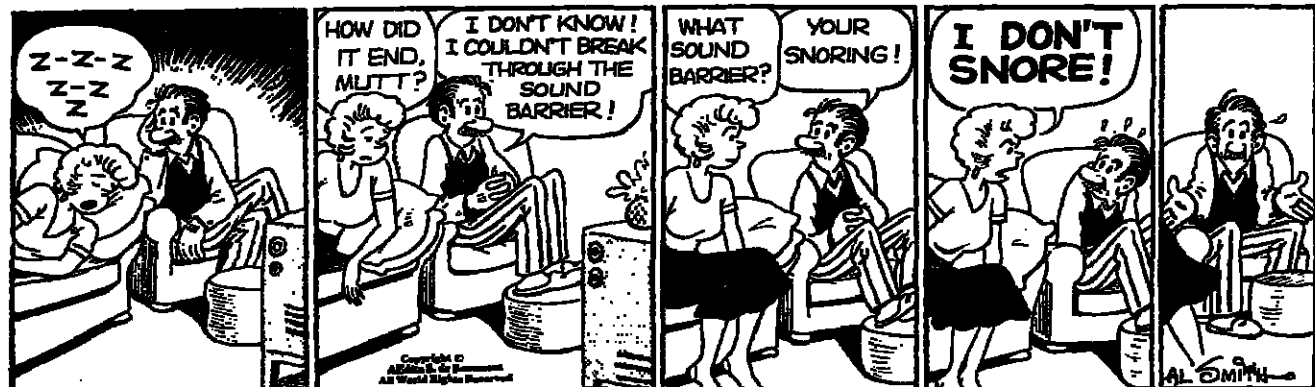
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- 24 ADVISORY COUNCILS
- 25 LEAF
- 27 MESONITES
- 28 UNDERSEA PERFORMER?
- 30 ISLAND GOOSE
- 31 COMMENCE
- 34 LATE A WAGE
- 36 DOVES OR RAZ
- 38 TRANSFERABLE PICTURE
- 40 ARRIVE AT A CHOICE
- 42 SHOT UP
- 43 SAUSAGE
- 45 PUT ON GUARD
- 50 MARINE ANIMAL
- 53 LEANS
- 54 THINGS KNOWN
- 55 OR, GODDESS
- 56 ADVANTAGE
- 58 TRIDENT PART
- 59 IN, FAMILY
- 62 — DELUXE
- 63 THAT GOT

# Peanuts



# Mutt'n' Jeff



# Andy Capp



# THE BETTER HALF

By Harris



# JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Bob Lee

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

WHART

BASAH

ZURBEZ

ALPECA

Print answer here: " " " " " "

Yesterday's Jumble: BLANK AUDIT FUMBLE MODEST  
Answer: What the inventor of the first automatic packaging machine made—A BUNDLE



# Ramos urges army to prepare for war if ceasefire lapses

## Aquino warns against high expectations

MANILA (R) — Armed Forces Chief Fidel Ramos told the army Friday to prepare for war as Communist rebels stayed silent in the face of government appeals to extend a ceasefire due to expire on Sunday.

"Should the ceasefire lapse ... we are ready to hit them hard. So get ready," Gen. Ramos told 200 officers.

Warning of intrigues, the general also urged soldiers to pledge allegiance to a new national constitution approved in a plebiscite this week.

A government spokesman said rebel negotiators have not said whether they will extend the 60-day truce beyond noon on Sunday and resume talks to end an 18-year-old guerrilla war.

The National Democratic Front (NDF), a left-wing coalition that represented rebels at the stalled peace talks, withdrew from the negotiations last Friday and accused the government of President Corason Aquino of insincerity in seeking an end to the insurgency.

Mrs. Aquino said last Thursday she wanted the truce extended even without a guerrilla commitment to resume talks.

Defence Minister Rafael Iloilo said he would agree to an extension only if accompanied by meaningful negotiations.

Gen. Ramos, in a speech at an army camp on the outskirts of the capital, said government policy was to extend the truce if the guerrillas were willing to negotiate — regionally, if no national extension was agreed.

But he warned of war "in those other regions where (the rebels) remain hard-headed, where they remain stubborn, where they continue to violate our laws," Gen. Ramos said the battle against insurgency must be fought with "forces on the right hand and friendship on the left."

The new national charter giving Mrs. Aquino a six-year term was passed by a massive vote last Monday but received limited backing among the country's 260,000-strong military.

"All kind of intrigues are going on," Gen. Ramos said, adding that attempts were being made to sow divisions in army ranks.

Disaffected elements in the military last week staged the latest of three failed attempts to

overthrow Mrs. Aquino's year-old government.

Presidential spokesmen said that to assert authority over the armed forces Mrs. Aquino would demand that the soldiers swear loyalty to the constitution or resign.

Gen. Ramos played down continuing reports of military disquiet, saying the army had identified 300 soldiers "who are prone to participate in attempted coups and abortive coups."

"Many of them were just misled and misinformed by their commanders," he said.

Referring to the plebiscite Gen. Ramos said: "The decision of the people has been made and the constitution ratified. It is also our job as public servants to pledge our allegiance to it, to abide by it, to be faithful to it."

Mrs. Aquino said Friday that despite the overwhelming victory of the new constitution, her government can not promise quick solutions to the grave problems of the Philippines.

"The present government, given its limited resources and the problems it inherited, cannot immediately address all the problems that have been brought to our attention," Mrs. Aquino told government employees at a ceremony.

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"I've often said that one of our advantages is the restored confidence of the people in the government," Mrs. Aquino said. "This was recently shown in the massive turnout of the Feb. 2 plebiscite and the massive vote of confidence at the polls."

Although she said the Filipino people have high expectations, Mrs. Aquino predicted they "will wait" for change as long as they "believe we are doing our best."

"We cannot move at all fronts simultaneously, be it land reform, agricultural production, industrial growth, unemployment, infrastructure and national defence," she said. "Nor can we move with the speed and effectiveness that the people desire."

Meanwhile Juan Ponce Enrile turned down an invitation by President Aquino to help prepare ceremonies marking the first anniversary of the ouster of President Ferdinand Marcos, the former defence minister's office said Friday.

In a letter to Mrs. Aquino, Mr. Enrile said he was "grateful and honoured" by the invitation to join a committee planning the ceremonies, but could not attend because of "professional commitments."

## South Korea warns against rioting

SEOUL (R) — President Chun Doo Hwan issued a stern warning against rioting Friday, on the eve of planned nationwide demonstrations against torture.

South Korea's 120,000 police tightened security to head off rallies planned in protest at the death of student Park Chong-Chol under police questioning

last month.

Police rounded up nearly 2,400 criminal suspects in a pre-emptive overnight swoop and placed about a dozen leading dissidents, including former presidential candidates Kim Dae-Jung, under house arrest.

"There should never again be such confusion in our country as

was seen in the May 3 incident," Mr. Chun warned during a visit to Inchon.

Mr. Chun, dubbed a military dictator by military opponents, was referring to widespread riots in the Western city last year in which hundreds of people were injured.

## Irish nationalists kill alleged informer

BELFAST — Northern Ireland (AP) — The Irish National Liberation Army (INLA) claimed Thursday it killed one of its own members for betraying secrets, a man whose body was found earlier in the Irish Republic, bound and shot in the head.

The guerrilla group, a Marxist offshoot of the Irish Republican Army (IRA), called the Belfast news media to claim the slaying of 32-year-old Anthony McCuskey, apparently the fifth and latest victim in a reported feud within the INLA.

The IRA on Thursday issued a statement calling for an end to

the killings and for the INLA to close down its operations. Only enemies of the nationalist movement could gain from the feud, it said.

"There is nothing but a sham, a ruin, a disgraceful mess which contributes not one iota to the struggle. Instead, these shootings depress, frustrate, exasperate and confuse the very base the struggle relies upon for support," the statement said.

McCuskey's family said he was hauled from home on the outskirts of Monaghan in the Republic. The body was found beside his burned-out car on a road just

south of the border with the British province of Northern Ireland.

McCuskey, a fugitive for more than 10 years, was wanted in Northern Ireland for questioning about a militiaman's murder in 1973 in the Irish Republican Army's violent struggle against British rule.

The INLA informant said McCuskey was shot for passing information about its members' movements to a rival group, the Irish National People's Organisation, which is reportedly trying to take over INLA.

## 'ABC to air disclaimers before America telecast'

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The U.S. ABC Television network has agreed to air disclaimers before its miniseries America, which has been criticised by the United Nations, the Soviet Union and numerous private groups, a source has said.

The source, who is close to the U.N. and spoke on condition of anonymity, said the network also agreed to follow the programme with a panel discussion. The source said the disclaimers would state that organisations portrayed in the 14½ hour show are fictional.

The United Nations has objected repeatedly to the programme's use of the world body's emblem and portrayal of peacekeeping troops. It hired lawyer Theodore C. Sorensen to

negotiate with ABC.

The miniseries, scheduled to air on Feb. 15-22, depicts life in the United States 10 years after a Soviet takeover.

Asked about the report ABC had agreed to run disclaimers and a panel discussion, U.N. spokesman Mario Zamorano said: "So far we have no official comment."

The source said ABC plans to broadcast a news programme about the controversy over "America" on Feb. 23. He said the programme, part of a series called Viewpoint, would include a U.N. representative.

However, Carol Olwert, director of news information for ABC, said the network had not yet decided whether to air such a Viewpoint programme.

## Liberace's death certificate rejected

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Officials Thursday rejected the death certificate of singer and showman Liberace pending an investigation into allegations he had AIDS.

Denise Collier, spokeswoman for Liberace's family, said two public memorial services will be held for Liberace, including a service in a Palm Springs Church, and one on Feb. 12 in Las Vegas.

The entertainer died Wednesday at the age of 67.

California law requires coroners to investigate deaths suspected of being caused by contagious disease. It is policy in Riverside County, where Liberace died, to investigate deaths that occur in the home or without a physician present.

"This is a case that should have been reported to the coroner's office," said Coroner Raymond Carrillo. The county Health Department refused to accept the death certificate when officials there learned the coroner's office had not been contacted.

Dr. Ronald Daniels said the cause of death was cardiac arrest due to congestive heart failure brought on by subacute encephalopathy, an inflammation of the brain. Spokesmen had denied a published report that Liberace had AIDS.

Mr. Carrillo said that if there still is blood in the body, there would look for evidence of AIDS. If the body has already been embalmed, tissues could be used for the test, he said.

"Assuming if it tests positive for the AIDS virus, it doesn't mean he had AIDS. He could be a carrier," Mr. Carrillo said.

Ms. Collier said late Thursday the family originally wanted to keep the Palm Springs memorial private but "just got so many calls from people saying 'we want to be there, we want to be part of it' they decided that Lee would have wanted it that way, and decided to open it up."

## Papandreou reshuffle gives cabinet moderate look

ATHENS (R) — Socialist Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou has removed three leading leftwingers from his cabinet in a reshuffle apparently signalling his determination to carry through an unpopular austerity programme.

Economy Minister Kostas Simitis and Foreign Minister Karolos Papoulias kept their jobs but leftwinger Akis Tsohatzopoulos lost control of the prime minister's office, which is in charge of the civil service and press affairs.

The other two leftwingers to go were Interior Minister Agamemnon Koutsogiorgas, replaced by lawyer Emmanouel Papastefanakis, and Health Minister George Yennimatas, whose job went to George-Alexander Mangakis, a former minister of justice.

Mr. Papandreou proposed that the leftwingers should take up senior jobs on the executive committee of his Pasok Party.

## Southern Air sues magazine over article

WASHINGTON (AP) — Newsweek is being sued for \$20 million for libel by Southern Air Transport Inc. over an article it published about cocaine smuggling and Nicaraguan rebels.

The lawsuit was filed Thursday in U.S. district court against the magazine by the Miami-based airline that has shipped arms to the rebels, known as the contras, and helped ferry weapons to Iran.

The airline, once owned by the CIA, has been linked in various published reports to cocaine traffic from Colombia.

The lawsuit charges the Newsweek piece was defamatory because it suggested Southern Air

## Punjab crisis poses new challenge to Gandhi

NEW DELHI (R) — Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi Friday faced a new challenge in India's Punjab state where militant Sikhs have vowed to bring down the ruling faction of the divided Akali Dal Party.

The five high priests of the Sikh faith Thursday formed a new unified Akali Dal which includes militant as well as separatist Sikh leaders and poses a threat to the ruling factions headed by Chief Minister Surjit Singh Barnala.

The Barnala government, reduced to a minority in the 117-seat state assembly, now survives through the support of Mr. Gandhi's Congress (I) Party.

Political observers said the fall of the tottering Barnala government would seriously add to Mr. Gandhi's problems in Punjab where extremists have killed more than 60 people this year and

nearly 650 last year.

At least two members of the Barnala group, including a junior minister, have resigned from the party and joined the group formed by the high priests who wield both spiritual and temporal authority over nearly 14 million followers of their faith.

The priests Thursday formed a 13-member council to run the party and included in it the widow of Beant Singh, who assassinated Rajiv's mother Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in 1984.

A spokesman for the high priests said three other key members of the Barnala group had signalled their support for the new party.

The priests issued an edict earlier this week asking all Akali factions to disband their separate groups but Barnala defied the order.

## U.S. rejects agreement on Pacific nuclear free zone

WASHINGTON (AP) — The State Department has announced that it rejected a plea by 13 Pacific nations for U.S. agreement to a nuclear free zone in their region.

State Department spokesman Charles Redman, who said global security responsibilities warranted the rebuff, asserted that the growing movement for nuclear free zones around the world is potentially dangerous unless matched by Soviet disarmament.

The decision by the administration of President Ronald Reagan prompted an immediate condemnation from the chairman of the House of Representatives Subcommittee on Asia, Representative Stephen Solarz.

He said the United States thus handed the Soviet Union a prop-

aganda bonanza and that his panel will consider legislation forcing U.S. compliance with the nuclear free zone arrangement in the Pacific.

At issue was whether the United States would sign three protocols to a treaty of the South Pacific Forum nations barring testing, disposal or storage of nuclear weapons in their countries.

While only the 13 countries are eligible to sign the treaty, the five nuclear powers — Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States — were invited to sign protocols that would have signalled a decision to abide by the provisions of the treaty.

The treaty does not prohibit transit of nuclear-armed ships in the region.

## Managua denies contra leader's claim of gains

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — President Daniel Ortega has dismissed the claim of a top contra rebel leader that the guerrillas have recovered the initiative in their fight to oust the leftist Sandinista government.

Mr. Ortega said Adolfo Calero, a leading figure in the United Nicaraguan Opposition, "tries to present a picture that in fact doesn't exist — that only is in his head."

"What Calero ought to do is return to Nicaragua and fight," Mr. Ortega said in brief remarks to reporters after meeting with Guatemalan Vice President Roberto Carpio Nicole.

At a news conference Wednesday in Washington, Calero said that 6,000 contra forces have penetrated deep inside Nicaraguan territory since shortly after

U.S. military aid was resumed last fall.

"We have regained the initiative," Calero said, adding that the rebels have encountered minimal resistance from the Sandinista army while receiving an enthusiastic welcome from the population.

He said his forces have been returning their homeland at the rate of 100 a day over the past two months and will have 15,000 troops spread throughout the country by spring.

Mr. Ortega said Calero's remarks are "totally directed at supporting the policy of (U.S. President Ronald) Reagan, that as they all know is very weak."

Calero's claims of contra re-infiltration of Nicaragua are supported by U.S. State Department estimates.

**GOREN BRIDGE**

BY CHARLES GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF  
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**READ THE HAND!**

East-West vulnerable. South deals.

**NORTH**  
♠ 64  
♥ 109  
♦ 104  
♣ AKJ973

**WEST**  
♠ J8  
♥ KJ762  
♦ KJ873  
♣ Q

**EAST**  
♠ Q1052  
♥ 85  
♦ AQ952  
♣ 52

**SOUTH**  
♠ AK73  
♥ AQ43  
♦ 6  
♣ 10864

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1 ♠ 1 ♠ 3 ♠  
5 ♠ Pass Pass  
Opening lead: Seven of ♣

Assemble the information obtained from the bidding and early play and you should have a pretty comprehensive picture of the hand. Sometimes you do not need all that information — one bid could tip you off to the correct line. Witness this example.

North-South were playing a five-card major system with preemptive jump raises in competition, hence North's jump to three clubs

## COLUMNS 7&8

### Bahrain to screen blood donors

BAHRAIN (R) — Bahrain has decided to screen blood donors for the killer disease AIDS, a senior medical official said. Khalil Al Arrayed, deputy chief of medical staff at Sulmaniyah Medical Centre, told Reuters: "Blood screening will be the procedure as from next week (Saturday)." He said a special committee under his chairmanship had been formed to consider ways to protect Bahrain's people against AIDS (acquired immunity deficiency syndrome). Asked whether anyone in Bahrain suffered from AIDS, Arrayed said that no cases had yet been reported.

### U.S., Morocco sign shuttle landing pact

WASHINGTON (USIA) — The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) announced that it has signed an agreement with Morocco which will permit the use of Ben Guerir Air Force Base as an emergency landing site for the U.S. space shuttle. The agreement, under discussion since the early summer of 1986, provides for an emergency recovery location for the space shuttle in the event of certain contingencies during the launch phase of missions originating from the Kennedy Space Centre in Florida. The agreement was signed by NASA administrator, Dr. James Fletcher, and Moroccan General Kabbaj, the inspector of the Royal Moroccan Air Force. The base, located in south west Morocco about 60 miles from Casablanca, is being prepared for renewal of shuttle flights in February, 1988.

### Israel bans sexism in nursery schools

TEL AVIV (R) — The Israeli Education Ministry has banned sexism in nursery schools, instructing teachers to stop reading stories to children that depict girls as "weak, passive or waiting for a boy to rescue them." Ministry directives published in the Ha'aretz newspaper also advised pre-school teachers not to tell fearful boys that they "cry like girls." Shimon Shoshani, director-general of the ministry, said the new instructions were issued after it became apparent that the Israeli education system had yet to achieve sexual equality in the classroom. "Girls, in all stages of education, achieve less than boys," Shoshani said. "The reasons are educational-social, not hereditary."

### MP held with 5 kilos of cocaine

CARACAS (R) — A Venezuelan congressman was arrested with more than five kilos (ten pounds) of cocaine in the central city of Valencia, Interior Minister Jose Angel Ciliberto said. Hermocrates Castillo, a deputy for the small Opina Party, was detained by security forces in his car in Valencia, 160 kilometres west of here, along with three other individuals. The officials also found counterfeit currency and weapons in the car, Ciliberto told reporters.

### Cinema chain sues Tutu's son for debt

JOHANNESBURG (R) — South Africa's biggest cinema chain is suing the son of anti-apartheid campaigner Archbishop Desmond Tutu for nearly 29,000 rand (\$14,000) for alleged unpaid debts. Ster-Kinekor claims that Trevor Tutu owes the money for a car and for entertainment expenses incurred when he was working for the company last year. Papers filed in the Johannesburg supreme court, said Tutu had been issued with a credit card and ran up charges of about 11,000 rand (\$5,300) which Ster-Kinekor said were for his own account.

### Legislators' group wins award

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — The first Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development, was awarded to parliamentarians Global Action, an international lobbying group. The prize of 1.5 million rupees (\$115,000) is named for the late Indian prime minister who was assassinated by two of her Sikh bodyguards on Oct. 31, 1984. The award, to be given annually, was announced at a news conference by Indian Vice President R. Venkatarman. The New York-based parliamentarians Global Action is made up of more than 600 legislators from 36 countries. It was cited for its anti-nuclear activities.

### Tereshkova given a new job

MOSCOW (R) — Valentina Tereshkova, the first woman in space, who was dropped last week as head of the Soviet Women's Committee, has been given a new job, the Soviet News Agency TASS reported. It said the 49-year-old former cosmonaut had been appointed president of the Union of Soviet Friendship Societies, the governing board of a network of bodies set up to promote Soviet cultural links and understanding with foreign countries. She succeeded Zinaida Kruglova, 63, who had retired after serving as union president since 1975. TASS added, Tereshkova, a national heroine since her space flight 24 years ago, headed the women's committee for nearly 20 years until last Friday.

### Government cash used to set up brothel

NEWPORT, Wales (R) — Two women used government cash intended for unemployed people wanting to start their own businesses to set up a brothel in this southern Welsh city, magistrates heard. Bernadette Hughes, 32, and her partner, Nazreen Ahmad, 24, admitted charges of dishonestly obtaining government grants worth £5,260 (\$7,900). They were remanded on bail for further inquiries. The court heard that the pair used money provided by the government's Manpower Services Commission to set up a health studio which was in fact a brothel. The two were fined £300 (\$456) last May for operating the brothel.

### Man killed 10 before suicide

LOS ANGELES (R) — Police said a man who committed suicide in a Los Angeles hotel room last October murdered 10 men in the month before he died. Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl Gates told a press conference he had closed investigations into the death of Michael Player and serial murders of 10 men from Sept. 4 to Oct. 8. Gates said ballistic tests done on Wednesday proved Player, 26, killed the men, most of whom were homeless. Player, who had a criminal record and several aliases, tried to kill an eleventh man on Oct. 9, the day before he was found dead in a hotel room, Gates said. The victim of that attack identified Player from photographs. "I know (Player) was responsible for his own death," said Gates, who added that the serial killings ended when Player died.

### Reagan to celebrate 76th birthday

WASHINGTON (R) — President Reagan, politically damaged by the Iran arms scandal but said to be rebounding from surgery, marks his 76th birthday as a close friend linked his political recovery to a more active public role. Mr. Reagan, the oldest president in U.S. history, has been largely in seclusion since his prostate operation on Jan. 5. But on Thursday, he made a rare public appearance outside the White House to speak on religious themes at an annual prayer breakfast.